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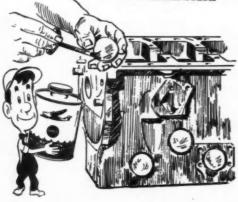
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A commemorative stamp marking 50 years of truck transport will be issued in conjunction with the American Trucking Assn.'s convention at Los Angeles. Birthday background and a report of the first official recognition of the trucking industry are on page 67.

Equipment Ideas From Capital

Nine practical ideas from the shop of Capital Transit Co. of Washington are described and illustrated to show bus men how shop-built units can cut operating costs. Page 68.

Modern Shop Stresses Simplicity

Asbury Transportation System has a new maintenance shop that omits ruffles but provides streamlined service facilities. Details of shop construction and equipment are on page 72,

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Boosting Load Limits—Legally

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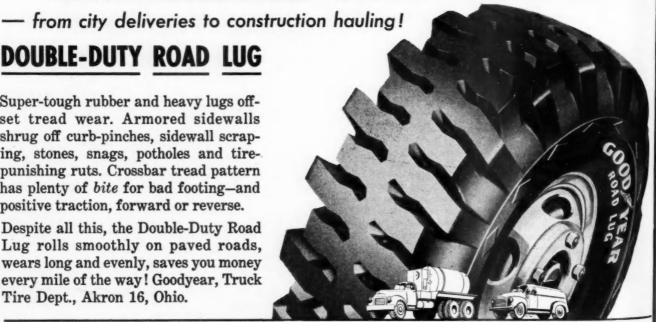


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Flat Car Propaganda Needs Good Brakes

THE trailer on railroad flat car movement is gathering momentum fast. Our research in recent weeks included on-the-spot coverage of the two most important developments to date—Pullman-Standard's model array in Chicago and General Motors' full-scale operations at LaGrange, Ill.

But as we probed for technical details (still speculative as this issue went to press; see page 60), we found these details being overshadowed by a brand new threat to the truck industry's public relations.

We remembered that as far back as the early 20's the railroads, with rare exceptions, have turned thumbs down on the trailer flat car ideas. We also remembered how these same rail executives turned down the diesel locomotive idea until General Motors woke them up with a shiny new diesel at LaGrange.

Now from the same plant comes the promise of volume production of special flat cars for trailers. Once again the automotive industry may be handing the railroads a great new opportunity. If they buy it, what will they do with it particularly from the propaganda point of view?

At month's end we found overselves pondering this aspect with even greater interest than such important details as the rate-per-mile, the speed of service or the labor point of view. Then the bomb dropped.

It came in the form of an article in Look magazine's issue of Oct. 6. Here at last, said the article, was a means of getting "our highway monsters off interstate roads . . . those freight-carrying trailers that clog traffic, pulverize pavements and frequently bring fiery death to truck drivers and motorists."

Great holy cow! Now, instead of just cussing those g-d trucks on the highway, that lordly soul—the motorist—will be saying "why the h—— aren't they on the rails."

While Look itself points out that truck trailers alone traveled 13 billion miles in 1951, it completely overlooks the slight technical problem of getting all

of them, or part of them, or ½ of 1 per cent of them on the rails overnight. Proudly it leads off with this cliche: "Every motorist who has crept and cussed uphill behind a chugging semitrailer-truck will welcome the hottest news in highway transport...."

Also nicely overlooked are a few incidental details, i.e., the fact that there are about 25,000 communities that have no rail service; or the fact that the rail tie-in can only work between major terminals; or that a guy named Dave Beck may be. interested. Look handles that last one nicely enough: "Everyone will be happy, particularly the wives of long distance truck drivers . . . who try to pass in the night and sometimes don't quite make it." Might we add a final sentence? It's more fun to stay in bed than work!

Of course the rail trailer idea makes sense and we are the first to hope that it may be a means of making more money for both truckers and railroads. In the bargain there is a good chance that it may relieve a tiny fraction of highway congestion between certain key cities.

But if the Look article reflects what is to be the railroad propaganda line, there's trouble ahead. Let's sincerely hope that this worthwhile project won't get loused up in the smoke of a new propaganda war. The viewpoint of a group of Chicago truckers appears sound. They are approaching the problem in the same manner that the male porcupine makes love to the female—with extreme caution!

P.S. CONGRATULATIONS to Cars, a relatively new magazine published by Fawcett Publications, Inc., Greenwich, Conn., for its excellent October article "The Secret War Against Trucks." Based largely on pre-trial depositions in the Pennsylvania truck-rail case, it tells at least some motorists what the rails are really up to.

Bart Rawson

October, 1953

MORE MILES PER GALLON OF FUEL





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TIMELY NOTES ON MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

by MURRAY SIMKINS Managing Editor _

Fuel Selection for Diesel Engines

THE selection of fuel for diesel engines is very important from the standpoint of operational costs, says W. W. Edwards, of GMC Truck and Coach Division. The proper grade of fuel for the GMC diesel has the following specifications: 600 deg end point maximum; 320 deg initial boiling point; .5 per cent sulphur. Low end point is required for clean and complete burning; clean burning eliminates deposits in the air box and piston ring grooves which have a tendency to score pistons and liners. When high initial boiling point fuel is used, chances of the fuel turning into a gaseous state in the fuel system is reduced. This is a major factor in horse power loss and in short injector life.

Fuel with a .5 per cent sulphur or less does not leave harmful residues that lead to scoring of liners. And of course a major consideration in reducing scoring and wear is fuel cleanliness. Careless handling and storage practices, permitting dirt and foreign material to contaminate the diesel fuel, is a major cause of premature engine wear.

Caution—Fragile Battery

WILLARD Storage Battery Co. has been making an analysis of scrapped batteries—finds that 55 per cent of all battery failures is due to over-charging. Current surveys indicate that a great majority of the other failures result from case damage. Careless handling during removal or installation, too tight or too loose clamping in the carriage, damage from accidents figure high in the causes of case breakage.

Tank Truck Safety Switch

A NEW type of battery disconnect switch and battery cable, developed by the automotive section of The Atlantic Refining Co., has proved so effective that it has been made standard equipment on all 500 of the company's tank trucks.

This new device is attached to the battery ground lead and may be disconnected quickly by turning the switch a one-quarter turn counter clockwise and pulling it apart. It is located on the frame rail of the tank truck directly behind the cab.

One of the chief purposes of the installation is to

provide a means of immediately eliminating current from all vehicle wiring in case of an electrical fire or other emergency. It is also used as a positive disconnection when the vehicle is being repaired, or when the truck is to be parked unattended for an extended period of time.

Those 1960 Engines

RECENTLY Max Roensch, of the Ethyl Corp., predicted that powerplants for 1960 vehicles will have greater specific outputs, use less fuel per brake hor vepower, and have durability equal or better than that obtained on the best of today's design. He says that 1960 engines will have:

1. ½ brake horsepower per cubic inch for gasoline and .4 brake horsepower per cubic inch for diesels.

2. A compression ratio of 7.5 or higher, and a 20 per cent improvement in economy for diesel.

3. Durability superior to present.

4. Lighter engines both on a brake horsepower and total weight basis. Diesel engines will be available weighing only 5 to 7 lbs per horsepower.

5. Weight per brake horsepower better with power plant total net equal or less than at present.

Safety Council Tests Chains

ALL types of tire chains decrease vehicle stopping distance on ice, but some do the job much better than others, according to the National Safety Council's Study of Winter Driving Hazards.

In the first of several reports covering the 1953 test project, the committee announced the results of stopping and traction tests on a 4 x 2 tractor and tandem trailer. When locked wheel stops were made on glare ice from 20 mph, an average of 191 ft was required to bring the vehicle to a stop when no chains were used. Various types of chains reduced this average by distances ranging from 31 to as much as 131 ft.

The stopping distance was reduced an average of only 31 ft—from 191 to 160 ft—when four unit or emergency type chains were placed on the outer rear wheels. Stopping distance was reduced an average of 131 ft—191 to 60 ft—when reinforced dual triple side chains were placed on both the outer and inner rear tires.

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For other chains the stopping distance average were; single regular chains on outer tires only—130 ft; regular dual triple side chains on both tires—98 ft; single reinforced chains on outer tires only—91 ft.

Acting on a request from the Interstate Commerce Commission, the committee included tests on unit or emergency truck chains to determine the effectiveness of these chains as compared with full chains. Unit chains consist of two regular cross chains attached to two plates. A piece of chain of sufficient length to reach from one side of the tire around to the other side is attached to one plate, and a buckle or locking device is attached to the companion plate.

In addition to finding this type of chain inferior to the others in both stopping distance and traction ability, the committee noted a number of other disadvantages:

1. In the case of trucks which have spacers between dual tires, it is necessary to cut holes in the spacers in order to install unit chains.

2. Jacknifing and skidding are likely to be caused by the frictional forces developed when a unit chain on one tire is in contact with the ice while on the other side of the vehicle only the unprotected tire area between the unit chains is in contact with the ice.

3. The wheels may lock so that neither has a chain in contact with the ice, and the stopping distance is then the same as for tires without chains.

4. Four unit chains are recommended by the manufacturer but the construction of some wheels allows only three to be used.

Traction tests showed that chains which were most useful in stopping the vehicle also were most effective in terms of tractive effort. Four unit type chains gave more than three times the tractive performance of tires without chains. Most impressive were the results when reinforced dual chains were attached to both inner and outer rear tires. They increased traction more than nine times.

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Why Springs Break

IS THE principal cause of spring breakage the simple explanation of steel crystalization, which is so commonly accepted, or are there other more fundamental reasons for spring failures?, asks F. J. Laher, of Laher Springfield and Tire Corp.

His answer is, definitely yes—there are two primary causes of spring failures that out-rank steel crystalization, perhaps by ten to one.

They are, first, the lack of uniform hardness or temper in every spring leaf or plate in a complete spring assembly. Second, the use of inferior and unsatisfactory steel in the manufacture of springs.

In a spring assembly, each individual leaf or plate (TURN TO PAGE 14, PLEASE)

RECAPPABLE CARCASSES INCREASED 150%

Lee Know-How Did It!

Here's the story of a big fleet owner with the problem that plaques haulers in many rural areas: too many stones!

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- Sixty percent of tires blown out because locked-in stones worked through treads into carcasses.
- Tires not blown out were damaged by stone cuts which let in dirt and moisture.

Operation—Wholesale grocer hauling to retail stores in small Arkansas communities.

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must carry its relative proportion of weight. If one or more spring leaves are soft and inadequately tempered, they will retard the active members of the spring assembly and thereby cause spring breakage by the simple process of bending, as you bend a piece of wire between your fingers until it breaks. The weight of the vehicle bends the soft members of the spring down and the active members of the spring force them up again, producing a wire breaking action. This accounts for many broken spring leaves, upon examination, being soft when they are generally expected to have been too hard.

Therefore, it is not hard to see that the balance of the spring leaves in a spring assembly with a number of soft members (or too hard, which would break at once) cannot last long, for they are now carrying more weight and are subjected to a great deal more strain than would have been the case had all the members carried their full share. Hence, the consequences -breakage of the leaves that did all the work, by premature crystallization, caused by overstrain and vibration.

Heavy truck springs that are short and use thick plates or leaves are often made with some success in plants inadequately equipped for hardening and tempering. The reason and difference is that these short heavy equipment truck springs with many thick heavy leaves-often twenty or more-result in a mass piling up process that carries weight more by bulk and friction than by tensile strength.

What's New? by Joseph Geschelin

OUR ears to the ground indicate some striking new developments which may blossom by the end of this year. One of these is a uniquely designed air brake system for installation in light weight motor trucks. If and when this is officially announced, it will give the smaller jobs all of the fine stopping advantages now enjoyed by the big rigs.

Early this year we mentioned a new type of air power steering system for trucks and buses, particularly useful on vehicles already equipped with an air compressor and reservoir. It has taken longer to develop the job to its production stages than was originally expected. However, we are assured it will be announced in CCJ, probably immediately after January, 1954.

Another item of interest for fleetmen is some work being done with the development of sintered metal linings for motor trick brakes. The company engaged in this development has sold a considerable amount of sintered brake lining for replacement and is now pointing for a wider range of applications. As you

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The surest way to cut tire cost today is to change over to Wide Base Rims. That isn't a promise—it's a fact, proved by experienced operators who report up to 30% increase in mileage, depending on operating conditions, after changing to Goodyear 70 Series Wide Base Rims.

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know, one of the most important features of sintered brake lining is that it is unaffected by high temperatures. The brakes will stop the vehicle on a grade or in an emergency without fail regardless of the amount of heat generated in the brake system.

We are told too that the metallic lining is able to retain heat longer and serves to dissipate it through the brake shoes as well as the brake drum. Since the drum is no lorger required to absorb all of the heat developed in fast brake applications, the claim is made that on a number of test jobs they have shown a great improvement in brake drum life. That is good news indeed for operators of heavy duty equipment.

Bearing Cap Gaskets—Plymouth

RECENT tests show that best results will be obtained if the rear main bearing cap gaskets are installed absolutely dry. Coating the outer surface of the gaskets with soap will result in leaks.

When installing the neoprene seal, apply a little Lubriplate to the contacting lip and be sure that the lip is pointed toward the front of the engine. Carefully insert the lower half of the seal into the bearing cap and position the gap gaskets in place. Be sure that the tabs of the parting line seals fit in the cap seal channel.

Place one end of the upper seal into the block and push it into place with a rolling motion. Turn the crankshaft at the same time as pressure is applied if the seal is difficult to install.

Tighten the main bearing cap bolts to a torque of 80 to 85 ft lbs.

Studebaker Rear Axle

A 4.11:1 optional equipment rear axle ratio is now available on new 2R11 model trucks and also may be purchased to replace a rear axle or differential on 2R11 trucks (without overdrive) now in service. When the new ratio is used to replace one now in service, the speedometer drive gear and pinion must be replaced.

Wheel Bolt Spacers—IHC

ON R-130, L-130 series chassis equipped with Budd 16 in. dual wheels where wheel bolts loosening and breaking are encountered, this condition can be corrected by installing wheel bolt spacers IH No. 93 646 R1 (three used on each front and each rear wheel) on (alternate) mounting bolts, between the wheel and hub. The wheel must then be installed with the outward coined mounting holes on the same bolts as occupied by the spacers. Tighten wheel stud nuts to 175-200 foot pounds.

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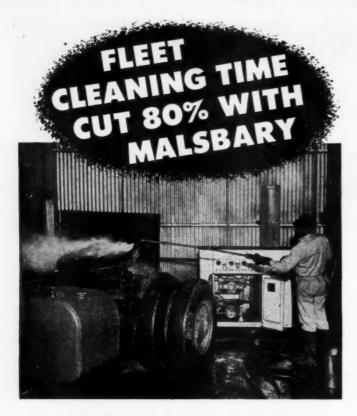
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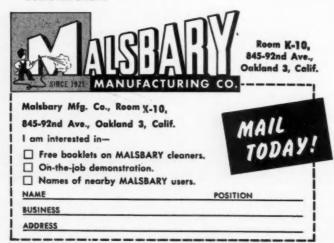
MALSBARY Model 250 strips dirt-embedded grease from 5th wheel in 10 minutes (a 30-minute job with former steam cleaner) for Red Arrow Freight Lines, Houston, Texas.

With 120 tractors and a big fleet of trailers to keep in shape, Red Arrow maintenance crews really give their MALSBARY Model 250 steam cleaner a work-out. It is in use an average of 10 hours per day, 5 days a week proof that MALSBARY simplicity and ruggedness "pay off" in reliable performance and minimum downtime.

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MALSBARY's exclusive patented pumping system that delivers 2 to 4 times more pressure than steam vapor cleaners pays off, too. Red Arrow's trailer cleaning formerly required two men and was practically a hand job with a steam-vapor cleaner. Now one man does the job with a MALSBARY 250 and saves 80% in time!

Try a MALSBARY on your own job—the world's best proving ground. See for yourself how it cleans faster, at lower cost. Fill in the coupon NOW for an on-job demonstration.



DATES and DOINGS

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OCTOBER

- 11-13—National Defense Transport Assn., Annual Convention, Louisville, Ky.

 19-22—American Trucking Assns., National Committee on Accounting, Autumn Meeting. Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, Cal.

 19-23—National Safety Council, National Safety Congress and Exposition, Commercial Vehicle and Transit Safety Session, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 26-28—National Lubricating Grease Institute, Annual Meeting, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 26-30—American Trucking Assn., Annual Convention, Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Cal.

 28-30—American Society of Body Engineers, Annual Technical Convention, Rackham Memorial Bidg., Detroit, Mich.

 29-Nov. 1—Automotive Parts Rebuilders 1953 Convention, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

NOVEMBER

- -Virginia Passenger Bus Assn., Annual Convention, Roanoks Hotel, Roanoke, Va.

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 2-4—Society of Automotive Engineers, Transportation Meeting, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 3-4—Society of Automotive Engineers, Diesel Engine Meeting, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 3-Southwest Shippers Motor Carrier Conference, Dallas, Texas.

 5-6—Society of Automotive Engineers, Fuels and Lubricants Meeting, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 5-7—Idaho Motor Transport Assn., Annual Convention, Hotel Boise, Boise, Idaho.

 7-New Hampshire Truck Owners Assn., Annual Convention, Hetel Carpenter, Manchester, N. H.

 9-12—American Petroleum Institute, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 9-12—Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Exposition (including truck refrigeration equipment), Public Auditorium. Cless. eago, Ill.

 —Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Exposition (including truck refrigeration equipment), Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio.

 —Maine Truck Owners Assn., Fall Round-Up, Lafayette Hotel, Portland, Me.

 10.—Arkansas Bus and Truck Assn., Annual Convention, Marion Hotel, Little Rock, Ark.

 21.—Montana Motor Transport Assn., Annual Convention, Florence Hotel, Missoula, Mont.

 24.—Florida Trucking Assn., Annual Convention, Hollywood Beach Hotel, Hollywood Beach, Fla.

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- —Associated Motor Carriers of Oklahoma, Annual Convention, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Okla.

 —Missouri Bus and Truck Assn., Annual Convention, Hotel Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo.

 —Motor and Equipment Wholesalers Assn., Annual Convention, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

 —National Standard Parts Assn., Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.

 —Automotive Service Industries, Executive Booth Conference, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

 —United States Chamber of Commerce, National Highway Conference, Washington, D. C.

 —Motor and Equipment Manufacturers Assn., Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.

JANUARY

- 28-29—National Council of Private Motor Truck Owners, Annual Meeting, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
 9-13—National Automobile Dealers Equipment Exhibition (iscluding truck equipment), Miami Beach, Fla.
 11-13—Truck-Trailer Mfrs. Assn., Annual Convention, Bots Raton Hotel, Boca Raton, Fla.
 11-15—Society of Automotive Engineers, Annual Meeting, Sheraton-Cadillac and Statler Hotels, Detroit, Mich.

FEBRUARY

17-19-National Transport Vehicle Show and Fleet Maintenance Exposition, New York, N. Y.

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"130,793 MILES and they've never been off the wheels," says W. C. Merrill (above), Vice Pres., Merrill Truck Lines, Fort Worth, Texas, about four BFG Traction Express tires. Merrill drivers report no skidding with the new Traction Express tread.



SEVERAL HUNDRED TRACTION EXPRESS TIRES are used by Akers Motor Lines, Inc., of Gastonia, N. C. This common carrier serves the Atlantic seaboard with 1,008 units, is just one of many trucking firms that use and praise these BFG tires. Traction Express tires have open spaces in the shoulders and tread that dispel heat easily, prevent heat build-up at high speeds.

Gives more original mileage than a regular tire plus a recap!

147,000 miles for an Alexandria, La., bakery firm! 125,000 miles for a Memphis, Tenn., trucker! 110,000 miles for an oil company in Pipestone, Minn.! Yes, the new B. F. Goodrich all-nylon Traction Express is rolling up amazing original mileage records for truckers all over the country. And amazing recap mileage records, too!

The Traction Express tread is as much as 46% thicker than that of regular tires. This extra-mileage tread is compressed to resist abrasion, add mileage and reduce cutting. When molded, the Traction Express beads are close together. When mounted, air pressure spreads the beads to



full rim width. Result: the sidewalls act as levers to compress the tread for long, even wear.

ALL-NYLON CONSTRUCTION

The Traction Express is designed with a strong, nylon cord body. Nylon withstands double the impact of ordinary cord materials, resists heat blowouts and flex breaks.

And the *all-nylon* B. F. Goodrich Traction Express is built with the patented nylon shock shield. Layers of strong nylon cords under the tread protect the tire body from road hazards.

With construction features like these, no wonder truckers call the Traction Express the 100,000 mile

tire. You pay a little more for the all-nylon Traction Express, yet you get a tire that gives more original mileage than a regular tire plus a recap! It's available in rayon construction at lower prices. See your BFG retailer. His address is listed under Tires in the Yellow Pages of your phone book. Or mail the coupon below.



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Zeke Wilkins: "Oh, him. Why he usta be a truck mechanic, an' he crawled under one of the mules to see why it didn't go."

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FIRST TRUCK DRIVER: "YOU'LL BE IN-TERESTED TO KNOW THAT WE ARE PASSING THE LARGEST BREWERY IN THE UNITED STATES."

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Traffic Rate Clerk: "What's the best way to teach a girl to swim?"

Billing Clerk: "First you put your left arm around her waist, then you gently take her left hand and . . ."

Rate Clerk: "She's my sister."

Bill Clerk: "Oh! Push her off the dock."

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Warehouse Foreman: "Why is it, Simpson, that you are only carrying one carton into that truck when the other men are carrying two?"

Freight Handler: "I suppose they're just too lazy to make two trips the way I do."

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First Truck Mechanic: "Well, I guesh ish time tuh go home, Hank. It takes me an hour or sho to go to sleep when I go home."

Second Truck Mechanic: "Thash funny. I alwaysh fall ashleep ash shoon ash I hit da bed."

First Truck Mechanic: "Sho do I, but my troublesh hittin' da bed."

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The tavern owner was awakened at 5:00 am by a loud pounding on the door. Stumbling sleepily to the window, he leaned out and yelled, "Go 'way! You can't have anything to drink at this hour!"

One-Legged Carburetor Specialist: "Who wansh anything tu drink. I left here at closing time wishout multicrutches."

HE WHO TAKES A SECOND WIFE—GETS A BRAND NEW LEASH ON LIFE.

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Bus Mechanic: "Did you know that the cute little bookkeeper in the office has a wooden leg?"

Bus DISPATCHER: "No, I didn't, but if she has, it certainly is well-turned."

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The beauteous secretary to the Safety Director was enjoying herself immensely at the annual motor carrier association party and dance. One of her dancing partners noticed a ravel at the hipline of her net evening gown and pulled it.

Next morning, the young secretary was telling about the dance and said, "I had a perfectly wonderful time, but I can't figure out what became of my underwear."

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FREIGHT CLAIM AGENT: "THIS IS THE END! YOU'RE FIRED!"

O S & D CLERK: "FIRED! I ALWAYS THOUGHT SLAVES WERE SOLD."

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Steno Sue: "I'm warning you, he's a wolf. He'll rip the dress right off your back."

Steno Lou: "So what!-I'll wear an old 'dress."

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"Are you sure there isn't more to this costume?"

Judge: "You are charged with trying to kiss every woman on the bus. What have you got to say for yourself?"

Greasemonkey: "Well, your honor, when I read 'bus' means to kiss, and 'omni' means all—I figured 'omnibus' meant to kiss everybody."

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CITY BUS DRIVER: "BOY, WAS THAT BUS CROWDED. I SCRATCHED MY LEG AND THREE GIRLS SLAPPED ME."

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STENO SUE: "Whenever I go out with that handsome Commercial Car Salesman, I'm between the devil and the deep blue sea."

STENO LOU: "What do you do?"
STENO SUE: "Well, you know how I hate water."

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Doctor: "I have brought you a Red Cross nurse. I know she will keep you comfortable."

Truck Dispatcher (on sick list): "Take her back, please, and get me a blonde, cheerful one."

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President Fleety-Fleet Express: "Burlingame, I've noticed you sitting at your desk with your head in your arms for past hour. What's wrong with you?

Operations Mgr. Fleety-Fleet: "Ohh-h-h... I've been fishing through the ice, boss."

President: "Fishing through the ice. For what?"

Operations Manager: "Cherries and olives."

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Reluctant Rebecca: "I'm not going to park on a dark road with you. Contrary to what you say, there are lots of couples who don't pet in parked cars."

Auto Parts Clerk: "Yeah. The woods are full of them."

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School S-L-O-W

School's open—and your eyes better be. For thousands of kids will be crossing crossings and cutting corners and darting through streets you once thought deserted. And they will be wild as deer on the second week of the hunting season.

We gotta' save these kids, you know. Need them to pay the national debt. And that means caution—extra caution—on your part from 8 to 12 and from 12 to 8 every day of the week.

It's one thing to see one of these kids standing on a street corner waiting patiently for you to pass. But it's another thing to know that he hasn't stepped into your trailer on a turn. Happens far too often. It isn't your fault but that won't clear your conscience.

Sure they play in the street—after school, before school, even during school hours. And bouncing balls and rolling toys will be followed by careless girls and thoughtless boys. Anticipate them.

Now nobody wants to go around slaughtering kids. Every driver has the right intentions and the proper skill and the necessary experience to cope with these diminutive hazards. It's only a matter of assuming that an accident will happen if you don't give them every break in the book.

So anticipate an emergency and save a casualty!

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WASHINGTON RUNAROUND

by KARL RANNELLS Washington Correspondent

Go Slow . . . Still Good-By BMC

It looks as if the announced go-slow policy for reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission under new Managing Director E. F. Hamm, Jr., won't keep the Bureau of Motor Carriers from passing out of the picture. Opponents of the move may get another chance to be heard, but it isn't likely to affect the result. Work of the BMC still is slated for division and transfer to other bureaus. For example, the safety section would be transferred to a single bureau which would have jurisdiction over all safety work affecting all types of carriers including trucking.

Reorganization Progress . . . More Funds

Money is a factor in reorganization plans, not only with an eye to economical operation but also for adequate funds for future operation of ICC. In recent years, Congress has been tough on money matters, has talked bluntly, has accused ICC of inefficient operation. Congress leans to the Wolf report recommending reorganization along "functional" lines. Belief is that if Director Hamm can show progress in this direction, Congress will lend a more sympathetic ear to money requests.

Trucks . . . Chance for More Freight

Motor carriers are in good position to gain new business in two widely separated freight categories—if rates can be kept stable. Claiming big losses on such service, railroads last month asked the ICC for permission to boost rates by an average of 31.6 per cent for refrigerating perishable freight. Meanwhile, producers of steel and steel products, faced with definite prospect of having to absorb some or all freight charges in order to meet growing competition, will scan tariff schedules more closely than at present.

And . . . Perhaps More Mail

More changes are due in mail freight operations with the railroads likely to be the losers. Post Office Dept. will try out delivery of first class (3-cent) mail between Washington-New York-Chicago by airplane, whenever commercial liners have vacant space. This won't affect trucking contracts, now increasing for short hauls. But another experimental move will. This is to put rates on T-routes on a per sack basis instead of a mileage basis. Post Office say it will try it out in Texas.

Motor Carriers . . . Somewhat Safer

Certificated motor carriers are piling up a better record with respect to fatal accidents than last year. according to an ICC report covering the first four months of 1953. Statistic-wise, reported accidents were up by 800 to 10,106 for the period. But only 386 of these involved fatalities (against 432 last year) resulting in 496 deaths (compared with 546 for the same period 1952).

Air Cushions . . . to Stop Bounce

Pneumatic dunnage, actually large (32 by 72 inches) inflated pillows, is the latest wrinkle for use by the Army to protect military cargoes on overland hauls. Developed by joint effort of industry and Quartermaster Corps, the deflated dunnage is placed in space around supply items being loaded for shipment. Six to eight pounds of air are pumped in to protect and hold the cargo in place—saving labor and material.

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Basic Industry . . . Going Strong

Basic industries apparently have no fear of a bust period in the near future. Latest Commerce Dept. Survey indicates American business will spend more (\$27.8 billion) for plants and equipment this year than last (\$26.5 billion). About two-thirds of the total will go into factories, industrial plants and public utilities. Truck fleets, transit systems, and waterways will spend about the same (\$1.4 billion). Railroads are retrenching by about 7 per cent to \$1.3 billion.

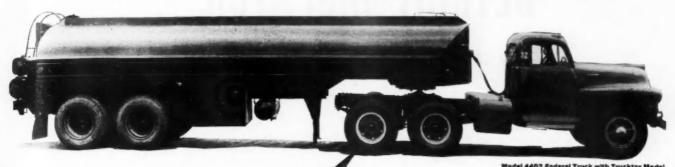
Taxes . . . Some Drop Expected

Complete scrapping of federal excise taxes on automotive items is not in the cards for next year, according to talk on Capitol Hill. But there's no reason to believe that automatic cuts won't go through on schedule as of April 1.

Government Workers . . . To Use Buses

Government workers on local official trips are likely to make more use of buses and other public transportation facilities in the future. Budget Director Dodge believes thousands of cars owned by federal agencies are getting some highly unofficial workouts. He's asked agency heads to report by Oct. 1 on plans for cutting travel expense—tossing in a suggestion that more use be made of public transit vehicles.

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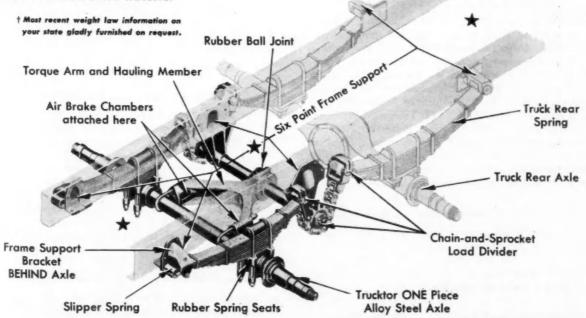
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DETROIT DISPATCH

by LEN WESTRATE Detroit News Editor

Trucks on Rails . . . Some Progress

Look for a lot of action on this combination truckrail haul front in coming months. Briefly, here is the situation: GM's Electro-Motive Div. already has announced a 75 ft special low bed flat car designed to carry two 35 ft trailers. Pullman Standard also has one under development but has not yet announced it. A Chicago company, Rail Trailer Co., has ordered 500 cars and expects to buy 1500 more, plans to rent the cars to truckers and operate the terminals for the railroad. Both P-S and GM cars load from the side, require special loading facilities and marshalling yards at terminals. Other requirements are special rail schedules with fast freights, agreement with unions fearful of displacing over-the-road drivers. The latter point is reported to be in hand after talks with union officials. There is still much to be known about rates and similar problems. CCJ is researching the development and will have a complete report as soon as all details are available.

Coming Up . . . Trucking Week

November 16 to 22nd has been designated Truck Transportation Week to focus national recognition on the truck transport industry. Sponsor of the event is ACT (Independent Advisory Committee to the Trucking Industry). Co-chairmen are Walter F. Carey, ATA president, Roy Fruehauf, president of Fruehauf Trailer; B. M. Seymour, president of Associated Transport, Inc., and Dave Beck, AFL Teamsters president. All segments of the trucking industry, including drivers, operators, shippers, and equipment suppliers will be represented. ACT also is planning a series of dinner meetings across the nation next April to promote the interests of the trucking industry.

Automatic Transmissions . . . Spreading

Two more truck manufacturers are going to offer automatic transmissions on units up to 3/4-ton on their next models. The transmissions will be of the fully automatic type using a torque converter in conjunction with a planetary gear set.

Dimensions and Brakes . . . Up for Study

Representatives of truck manufacturers and trailer builders will form two committees to study specific problems relating to truck-trailer combinations. One committee, composed of three members from each group, will study coordination of physical dimensions of trucks and trailers, including bumper-to-back-of-cab dimensions, fifth wheel locations, kingpin settings, and problems of overall length and width. Another committee will study braking systems for truck-trailer combinations. The project will involve brake connections, independent parking brakes on combinations, and similar problems.

Transmission Trends . . . Automatic

Thinking among truck engineers now is that the trend in automatic transmissions for trucks is toward a torque converter plus two gear steps in the lighter models up to 3/4 of a ton. For heavier types the trend appears to be toward a 4-step gear type automatic with provision to hold the unit in any one pre-selected gear while descending grades.

1954 Engines . . . More Hp

The horsepower race in the passenger car field has its counterpart in the truck industry. Three of the largest producers will announce substantial increases in power for next year. One company coming soon with 1954 models will have a new engine with ratings increased considerably. Another will have a larger optional engine for 1954 and a third will have new engines in part of its line with considerably stepped up power.

White-Autocar . . . Stock Suit

Efforts of a stockholder to nullify the sale of Autocar to White have been blocked, but there still may be a little difficulty over the price to Autocar stockholders. A Federal court has turned down a stockholder's plea to set aside the sale but agreed that appraisers and auditors appointed by the court should determine the fair value of Autocar stock and that the protesting stockholder should be paid any difference between any higher appraisal and the \$12 per share par value White stock received in exchange for Autocar common.

Reo Announces . . . New Fuel Tanks

Development of two new fuel tanks as optional equipment has been announced by Reo Motors. Factory installation of single or dual step-type gasoline fuel tanks of 50-gal capacity is now available on all models of tractors. In addition a new 16-gal fuel tank has been designed which permits mounting of a skirted body on a regular truck chassis. When two step tanks are used, mounted on each side of the cab, the installation necessitates that the battery be moved.

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OCTOBER ROUNDUP

by ERNIE FOREST Assistant Editor _

ATA Convention . . . Leads the Parade

American Trucking Assns.'s anunal convention, 26-30 this month in Los Angeles, Calif., leads the list of importat meetings affecting the trucking industry scheduled for the near future.

A highlight of the meeting will be issuance of a special postage stamp commemorating the 50th anniversary of the trucking industry dating from the first commercial vehicle performance test held in New York City in 1903.

Speakers and discussion topics at the convention are summarized on page 67 of this issue in connection with a special article on the 1903 contest compiled from early automotive magazines.

National Safety Council . . . Safety Congress

Meanwhile, fleet safety men are getting ready for the Commercial Vehicle Section meetings at National Safety Council's annual Safety Congress, Oct. 19-23,

at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago.

First Commercial Vehicle Section meeting, on the 20th, will be a panel on driver hiring. Following the discussion, the section will divide into common carrier, private carrier, automobile transport, intercity bus and taxicab workshop groups. The same system will be followed after the afternoon's panel on driver training, supervising and counseling and the next morning's panel on accident reports, records and analysis.

Thursday morning will be a joint session with the Transit Section. Speakers include Dr. J. L. Rosenstein on "Human Engineering in Safety," and 1952 Marcus A. Dow award winner Carlton Alexander, whose story of fleet safety at McLean Trucking Co. appeared in COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL last month. Final feature will be presentation of the National Fleet Safety Contest awards.

Muffler Noise . . . Arouses Interest

Feature of the annual National Noise Abatement Symposium, Oct. 23-24, at the Armour Research Foundation of the Illinois Institute of Technology, will be a session on outdoor noise where Lewis Kibbee, American Trucking Assns., will speak on "We Can Reduce Truck Noise."

Latest areas clamping down on anti-noise violators with ineffective or defective mufflers include (1) Delaware—where a five-man committee has been appointed to study the problem and over 165 truck

drivers have been arrested in Wilmington, (2) Baltimore, Md.—where over 400 truck drivers have been picked up, (3) Los Angeles, Cal., where 50 arrests were made in the first 24-hr period in enforcing a

SAE . . . Three Meetings

Three meetings of the Society of Automotive Engineers to be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, open next month's calendar. They are: National Transportation Meeting, Nov. 2-4; National Diesel Engine Meeting, Nov. 3-4, and National Fuels and Lubricants Meeting, Nov. 4-6.

Topics of interest at the Transportation meeting include air suspension, muffler and exhaust noise, power steering, COE design for over-the-road use and truck electrical equipment.

Of interest to truck users at the Diesel Engine meeting is a discussion on factors affecting exhaust valve life. LP gas, what affects motor fuel octane requirements and causes of carburetor gumming are topics of most interest to fleetmen on the Fuels and Lubricants meeting program.

ATA Foundation . . . Growing

Third major contribution to the ATA Foundation, Inc., since its inception a few month ago is \$25,000 from Dayton Rubber Co., Dayton, Ohio. Set up by the American Trucking Assns., the Foundation offers a means for industry suppliers to help ATA's educational activities.

At the same time Printer's Ink, national weekly advertising and sales magazine, noted that the trucking industry plans a million dollar advertising budget for 1954.

Build a Trailer . . . of Plastic

Fiber glass and polyester resin plastic is making news in trailer construction. Following COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL'S report on Strick Co.'s plastic-lined reefer in the July issue, both Dorsey and Strick have announced addition of plastic features in standard model trailers, see page 88 this issue.

Other reports on use of plastic, scheduled for roundup in an early issue, include a 3400 gal tank trailer, 24 by 8 by 8 ft trailers for use in tractor and two semitrailer combinations, and standard semi-trailers made of plastic impregnated with aluminum pigment.

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By Donald S. Buck
Traffic Safety Engineer, Department
of the Army, Washington, D. C.



Is SPEED the

DO WE really know what causes our accidents? The National Safety Council reports in Accident Facts* that 35 per cent of the fatal accidents are caused by excessive speed, and 9 per cent by failure to keep to right of center line, and so on. But I wonder just how valid those facts may be. They are based on accident reports prepared by those who investigated the accident—State troopers or city police or our own investigators.

Suspecting that there may be some difference of opinion even among trained investigators as to what specifically causes an accident I decided to test my contention by staging an accident during a recent safety seminar. After setting up the "accident" as outlined at right, I asked the group of some 80 safety engineers, attorneys (claim adjusters) and police officers to decide who and what caused the accident. They were also instructed to indicate appropriate "corrective action."

Difference of Opinion

WHEN the reports were collected and analyzed, the wide difference of opinions among those trained investigators was painfully apparent. Table 1 (page 66) indicates "assignment of responsibility."

In other tests similar to this one some investigators even blamed the "dog" for the accident. Some blamed the dispatcher who permitted a vehicle to be driven by a driver whose EDITOR'S NOTE: An old friend of CCJ readers, Don Buck returns with the first of two highly controversial but thought-provoking articles. The second, dealing with Courtesy, will appear soon. This one involves, in his own words, the following . . .

ACCIDENT THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN

Early on the morning of the "accident" I laid down two sets of skid marks from 18 mph on the street directly in front of the building in which the safety seminar would be held. I secured two "stooges" and rehearsed with them the roles they were to play in the simulated accident that was to interrupt my talk.

After the seminar was under way the sets were arranged. Five oil drums were to be pushed from the tailgate of one vehicle. Two headlamps were to be broken at the scene for realism, two previously damaged vehicles were towed into position on the skid marks, and jammed together as if in collision. A rubber hose vigorously applied to the fenders provided suitable evidence of fallen debris; and some water poured on the pavement under the vehicles provided the "radiator damage."

Two blocks away another vehicle and driver waited to dash by at the appointed minute to provide the screeching of brakes and blaring of horn for the opening act. The setting was completed with another stooge standing

license had expired; however, in the main, the assignment of "blame" was nicely divided between the leading based.

driver, the following driver, and both

drivers.

Table 2 reveals the "grounds" on which accident responsibility was based. The primary causes are tabulated.

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Let's Recheck the Records . . .

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Then it happened. First came the sound of a passing vehicle; then a frantic shout drowned out by the blast of a horn, the screech of brakes, a rumbling crash and the sound of breaking glass. My group became restless, smelling blood outside.

I stalled the group to permit the boys to get rid of the evidence—then suggested that since we were studying accident investigation, the group look over the scene and report back to class their interpretations. Now 80 pairs of eyes and ears were to get the same story.

The stories were convincing—and familiar. The leading driver stated that a man on the sidewalk suddenly dashed toward the street, threw his hands up and yelled. Thinking him to be a police official, the driver made an emergency stop—with no opportunity for a warning hand signal. He alleged that his speed when the brakes hit was under 20 mph. He insisted the accident was caused by "this other guy" following too closely. Interrogation revealed that his driver's license had expired four months earlier.

The other driver was heatedly disclaiming having caused the accident. He pointed out that his brakes were not up to par, but the shop supervisor had repeatedly ignored his report that they were deficient. The other driver gave him no warning. He said he was at least 25 feet behind the other vehicle and driving under 20 mph. He stated that he hit the brakes, then cut the wheels and blew the horn, but couldn't miss.

It may all too often be the scapegoat for the real, underlying cause

half) held the primary cause to be excessive speed—(remember those skidmarks were made from exactly 18 miles per hour!).

Do you wonder that I am skeptical of the national figures which elevate "speed" to the number one position of accident causes? Only one person listed "wrong techniques" as the primary cause—apparently no one else took note of the following driver's testimony that he hit the brakes, then cut his wheels—a futile gesture if the wheels were locked in a skid.

Remedial Action?

WHEN it is obvious that if we cannot agree on who and what causes our accidents, it will be equally impossible to agree on what remedial actions should be applied. This is reflected by tabulation of the recommended corrective actions. See table 3.

Now a close look at the corrective actions table indicates that: Nearly two-thirds of the investigators recommended no corrective action against one or the other driver!

Sixteen would suspend or revoke an already invalid driver's license!

Four would take action against a shop supervisor for defective brakes (TURN TO NEXT PAGE, PLEASE)

primary responsibility for the accident was divided among at least eight different "causes." Seven of the 80 investigators stated that the primary cause was the failure of the leading

driver to possess a valid driver's license! Five, despite perfect skidmarks of 18 ft, accepted the following driver's allegation that his brakes failed to hold! Thirty-eight (nearly

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Is Speed the Real Villain?

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Table 1. Assignment of Responsibility for the Accident

Person Held Primarily Responsible	Number
Leading driver	23
Following driver	26 22
Pedestrian	5
Shop supervisor	4
Total	80

Table 2. Primary Causes of Single Accident

(as tabulated from 80 different accident reports on the same accident)

Indicated Cause	By Leading Driver	By Following Driver	By Other	Total
Excessive speed	10	28		38
Following too closely	0	23	_	23
Stopped too suddenly	7	_	-	7
Failed to signal	9	-	orana.	9
No valid license	7	-	-	7
Defective brakes		5	_	5
Wrong technique	_	1	-	1
Attention distracted	_	_	3	3
Other causes	-	_	9	9
Totals	33	57	12	102*

^{*} Primary causes total 102 since 22 of the investigators blamed both drivers and indicated primary cause for each.

Table 3. Corrective Actions Recommended

Recommended Measures	For Leading Driver Only	For Following Driver Only	For Both Drivers	For Pedes- trians	For Shop Supv.	Total
(No action)	(31)	(18)	(2)	(76)	(76)	-
Suspend license	13*	10	16			. 39
Revoke license	3*	11	5	_		19
Reprimand or warn	4	17	11	4	4	40
Arrest and fine	0	2	0	1	_	3
Hold liable for damages	1	5	2	_		8
Added training	3	15	19	-		37
Re-examine	11	29	17	_	_	57
Improve inspection and repair	_	_	_	_	4	4
Totals	35	89	70	5	8	207

^{*} His license was already invalid in that he had failed to renew it.

—despite the fact these brakes laid down 18 ft of perfect skidmarks!

Thirty-seven recommended training for one or both drivers, yet recommended punitive measures totaled 104!

Fifty-eight would temporarily or permanently keep one or both from driving, yet only 37 proposed driver improvement via training! Fearful lest these findings were not indicative of accident investigators in general, the test has been repeated nine times in widely separated areas before audiences made up of legal minds, safety engineers, policemen, supervisors, statisticians and others with direct interest in accident investigations. I am unhappy to report that the lack of uniformity in

the investigators' findings becomes even more apparent with each successive test. An aggregate of 1150 persons have been exposed to various ramifications of this experiment and the number of divergent viewpoints is not far behind.

No significant pattern of viewpoint could be identified among the differ. ent professional segments, except that police generally seized upon viola. tions of the traffic code, attorneys tended to measure the incident in terms of "last free chance," negligence," and "reasonable and normal responses," while safety engineers generally identified the unsafe act (legal or otherwise) that most directly led to the accident (whatever the reason). These experiments convince me that a new field of transportation science beckons: "The psychology of deportment for those involved in an accident." The tests definitely prove the crying need for a more uniform approach to accident investigation.

Is Speed to Blame?

GRAVE doubt is raised as to the reliability of the popular figures nationally attributed to speed being our number one excellent cause. I am inclined to doubt it. Rather I suspect that in too many cases "SPEED" is a handy crutch for use when investigator is unable to determine WHAT specific unsafe act occurred at any given speed so as to directly cause the accident. This then is my first axiom: Available accident data is not reliable. The hypothesis of speed as the number one accident cause is not yet proven.

I am not an advocate of higher speeds. But in any case, I do urge the use of "specifics" if improvement is desired. Speed is not the cause. Rather it is the environment in which the germs causing accidents thrive and develop. Admittedly excessive speed affords less time to make a proper decision in event of an emergency (just as traveling through an epidemic area reduces one's chances to ward off the contagious germs). Higher speeds make it much more difficult to stop quickly, veer sharply or give warnings (just as increased exposures in epidemic areas heighten the likelihood of contracting trouble). Any speed not commensurate with the average traffic flow,

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ATA Convention Highlights

Those attending American Trucking Assn.'s annual convention in Los Angeles, Cal., later this month can look forward to an active program of business and social events. In addition to the regular schedule of committee and conference sessions, here are some of the events of particular interest.

High point on Tuesday will be the luncheon when ceremonies marking the issuing of the commemorative stamp honoring the trucking industry will be held. In the face of continuing restrictive legislation, fleetmen will also be interested in two discussions—the first on "Regulation of Truck Transportation by the States" and the second on

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Industry specialists and leaders included among the speakers and panel discussion leaders are: John L. McCaffrey, International Harvester Co. President; Dave Beck, Teamsters Union President; General Frank D. Merrill, New Hampshire Highway Commissioner; Albert Veglia, California Motor Vehicle Registrar; James K. Knudson, Interstate Commerce Commissioner; M. C. Connors, Oklahoma Tax Commission Secretary; George E. Kneipp, District of Columbia Director of Vehicles and Traffic; Earl T. Newberry, Oregon Secretary of State; and Otto F. Messner, Pennsylvania Secretary of Revenue.



For collectors, first day of issue of stamp will be Oct. 27 in Los Angeles

11 trucks took part in the nation's first commercial vehicle performance test in 1903. To honor this, a . . .

Special Stamp Marks Industry's 50th Year

TRUCKING celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this year. To mark the occasion, a special commemorative stamp will be issued by the Post Office Department in conjunction with the American Trucking Association's annual convention at Los Angeles (details above). First day of issue of the stamp will be October 27.

Although it was impossible to accurately determine when the first motor truck service began, a suitable birthdate for the industry was found in the date of the first official recognition of trucking as a separate part of the automobile industry. This took place on May 20 and 21, 1903, when 11 gasoline, steam and electric trucks took part in the first commercial vehicle contest sponsored by the Automobile Club of America in New York City. At that time it is estimated that there were fewer than 200 distinct trucks in the country, although there were also a number of motorpowered "delivery wagons."

From this early start the industry has grown to more than 9,000,000

Entries in the Commercial Vehicle Contest

No.	Class	Туре	Maker	Motive Power	HP	Tare	Load
5	1	Delivery wagon	International Motor Car Co., Indianapolis	Electricity	6	2420	1210
10	1	Delivery wagon	Mobile Co. of America, New York	Steam	41/2	1500	775
11	2	Open del, wagon	Knox Automobile Co., Springfield, Mass.	Gasoline	16	2300	1250
12	2	Cov'd del. wagon	Knex Automobile Co., Springfield, Mass.	Gasoline	8	2070	1245
14	2	Cov'd del, wagen	Blaisdell & Co., Brooklyn	Steam	10	3530	1720
2	3	Stake truck	Union Motor Truck Co., Philadelphia	Gasoline	20	5810	3240
3	3	Baggage express	Union Motor Truck Co., Philadelphia	Gasoline	16	4525	2710
9	4	Truck	Morgan Motor Co., Worcester, Mass.	Steam	20	11,160	5740
7	4	Truck	Columbia Engineering Works, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Steam	15	10,225	3600
1	5	Truck	T. Coulthard & Co., London, England	Steam	20	14,225	10,000
6	5	Truck	Columbia Engineering Works, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Steam	35-40	14,500	10,00

vehicles and over 6,000,000 employees, with a key position in the nation's economy.

The Contest

STATED purpose of the contest was to show that trucks "can be used successfully in commerce at less cost and to greater advantage than present horse-drawn vehicles." Reports of the contest in early automotive trade magazines indicate that observers felt that it definitely accomplished its purpose.

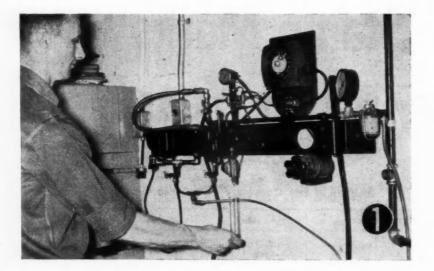
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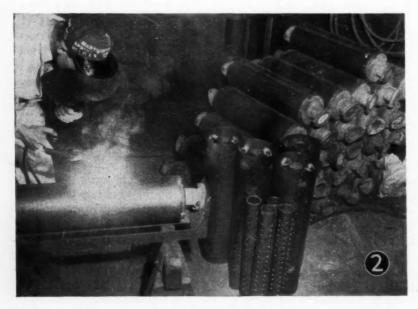
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A CAPITAL APPROACH To Better Shop Equipment

For better bus maintenance, this series of nine shop hints has been gathered right in the shop of one of the nation's top transit fleets





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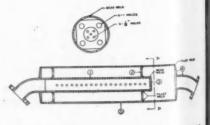
By James F. Kirk

Capital Transit Co. Washington, D. C.

Fig. 1. Carburetor Tester

An accurate check of the carburetor is made on this carburetor tester. Every carburetor is put on this instrument after overhaul, and as a result reliance can be put on proper adjustments and economical vehicle operation. The tester provides for three distinct tests: 1. float level and needle valve wear, 2. vacuum operation and pump circuit discharge, 3. orifice jet flow rates.

Two different model carburetors can be tested on the device. Set up is as follows: An electric fuel pump is located off to the right. This pumps gasoline through the filter and into the flexible line which is attached to either carburetor to be tested. A special adapter in the form of a pipe with elbow and glass tube is screwed into the carburetor body at a drain opening. With fuel pumped



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to the needle valve, it can be checked for possible leakage, while the fuel level, showing up in the glass tube can be noted on the gage which is graduated to show operating level. A drain located at this fitting permits draining away of the spent fuel back to the tank.

Next test is for vacuum operation of the pump circuit piston. A hand vacuum pump is connected through a vacuum gage to the vacuum line opening. A quick turn of the handle creates a vacuum similar to that developed by the engine so that the plunger is actuated and fuel is squirted through the main jet. Check is thus made for operation of the piston and for volume of fuel discharged by the vacuum piston operation.

Next check involves the testing of various jets used on bus carburetors. This involves the selection of the proper orifices for particular requirements. It has been found upon examination that new jets are not always accurately drilled and that variance in orifice size affected not only fuel consumption rates but bus performance as well. Result was this tester to match up jets with the apertures which gave best results in the fleet.

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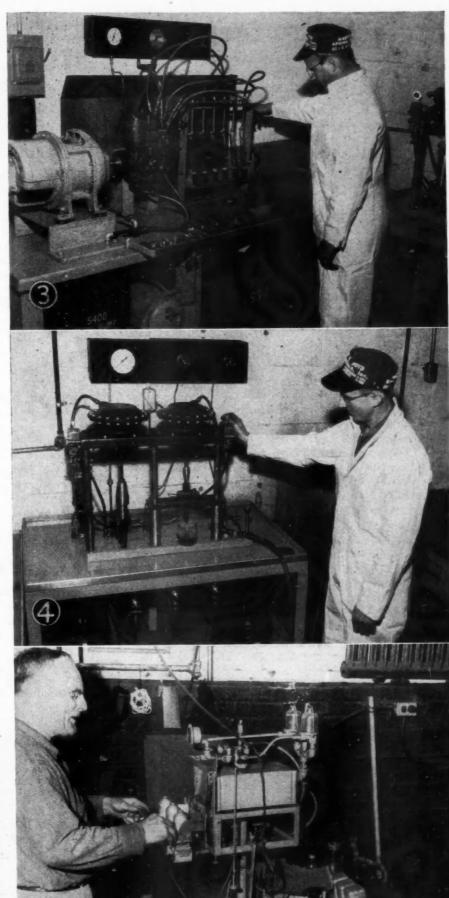
Jets are tested at (A) which is an opening fitted with fittings for various jet size and thread types. A graduate is held under the opening and fuel volume is measured for a given time as set on the timer.

Fig. 2. Shop-Built Muffler

Capital Transit Co. designs and builds its own mufflers, finds that shop-built units outlast the original mufflers and adequately control exhaust noise. This type muffler has been in use for a period of three years and is still serviceable. Original equipment sometimes gave way within six month.

The unit is constructed as shown in the drawing. Interior compartment is a 2%-in tube with ½-in. walls and having six rows of 5/16-in. holes drilled longitudinally as illustrated.

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... Better Shop Equipment

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The muffler shell is 12-gage steel rolled to 7 in. ID. Ends and collar castings are salvaged from the original muffler. The baffle plate is cut from $\frac{1}{8}$ x 6 x 6-in. steel and is welded to the outer shell at the rear. Four 1-in. holes are drilled for the passage of gases. Front "baffle" is merely a support for the center tube.

A jig is used for easy and quick assembly. Note construction details. End fixtures support the collars so that

a perfect alignment job is done.

In addition to longer muffler life this design is satisfactory from the standpoints of noise and back pressure. The unit meets Capital Transit specifications in both cases and appears to be the answer to the muffler problem.

Fig. 3. Diesel Fuel Pump Test Stand

This test stand accurately simulates operation of the fuel pump on a bus. There is a variable speed electric motor which drives the fuel pump. Calibrated lines run from the fuel pump distributor through calibrated nozzles into graduates. The pump is primed by air pressure being supplied to the fuel supply tank; after which, the pump itself picks up the fuel and furnishes it through the nozzles into the graduates.

Part of this stand includes three gages. The first indicates pressure exerted by the pump when running under normal conditions. The second gage indicates the maximum pressure built up when pump is operating as no fuel is allowed to go to the nozzles (This is quickly checked by turning a valve in the main supply line to "off" position.) The third gage indicates pump speed and also includes a

revolution counter.

The capacity of the pump and its ability to deliver fuel equally over all facilities is checked by operating the pump at a specified pressure as observed on the first gage which should tally with the speed as observed on the third gage. When this has checked, the quantity of fuel flowing into each of the graduates is checked against a specific number of revolutions at a specific speed. Further, the difference between cylinders is checked by comparing the graduates with one another.

Below the test stand may be seen two containers marked "5400" Fuel Pump 537. These containers were built by Capital Transit Company for transporting fuel pumps from location to location without causing any damage to the pump. This is typical of a great many such containers for the shipment of a great many units including such things as nozzles, distributors, generators, alternators, rectifiers, etc.

Fig. 4. Diesel Nozzle, Check Valve Tester

This test stand was constructed by Capital Transit Co. for testing diesel nozzles and check-valves under conditions simulating those encountered in actual operation.

Air operated plungers operate the diesel nozzle plunger and by so doing, it is allowed to pick up and distribute fuel. Also, proper sealing of the nozzle tip is checked by applying pressure to the tip by means of an air brake chamber and attempting to reverse flow of fuel through the nozzle tips.

High pressure fluid is delivered by means of a high pressure lubrication pump especially adapted for this purpose by us. Check valves are checked by attaching them to the test stand base and attempting to supply fuel through the valve at a specified pressure. The operator is enabled to run his tests by means of gages properly plumbed-in.

Fig. 5. Fuel Pump Tester

Rebuilt electric fuel pumps are run in and checked on this specially designed tester. The unit consists of a frame upon which is mounted a gasoline supply tank, a pressure gage, fuel strainers, a bracket for mounting the pump and necessary lines and connecting fittings.

The overhauled fuel pump is clamped into position and connected to a battery located on the bench. Pressures are checked at the gage over a two hour period during which time any adjustments and repairs are made.

Fig. 6. Air Test Bench

The air brake test bench includes a somewhat standard board with shop air line supply pressure for checking valves. A bench-mounted HP valve trolley valve provides for actuation. The specially designed fixture permits quick slipping on of the various valves without bolting. Governor jig permits quick clamping of the governor body while air is applied and test is made of opening and closing pressure.

A variable speed electric motor powers the clutch centrifugal valve while operation is checked at each speed. Beneath the bench is a vacuum pump which is connected to the motor when tests are made on vacuum units.

The thermostat tester, right, consists of a heating gas element, fixtures for installing the thermostats and lines to the shop air line. Gages connected into the lines show water temperature required to open thermostat.

Fig. 7. Axle Rebuilding Stand

This axle rebuilding stand, made up from odd parts reduces substantially the need for lifting of the front axle while fitting king pins and bushings, aligning spindles, and similar repair work. Being adjustable so that the axle may rest in any position on a 180-deg. arc, the stand makes possible easy access to the axle and thus saves time for the mechanic.

The stand consists of a swinging axle support mounted on legs and provided with wheels for easy maneuvering about the shop. The carriage, or the swinging support, is a heavy iron base to which is welded longitudinally two sections of angle iron. The vertical sides of the angle irons are drilled and tapped to take a winged adjusting screw which holds the axle in position while moving it.

The hinge feature is accomplished by bolting heart slack adjusters to the lower base and welding old came to the upper carriage as shown in the diagram. The moving of the adjusting mechanism with a speed wrent causes the carriage with the axle to travel over 180-degard coming to rest if desired in the upside down position.

The base is a steel plate similar to that of the carriage. Four inch wheels are mounted on the legs for ear movement.

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Fig. 8. Radiator Test Tank

This radiator test tank was made from old parts salvaged from old buses. The tank consists of a sheet steel box reinforced at the top and bottom with angle iron which is welded to the sheet.

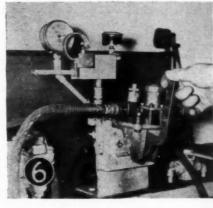
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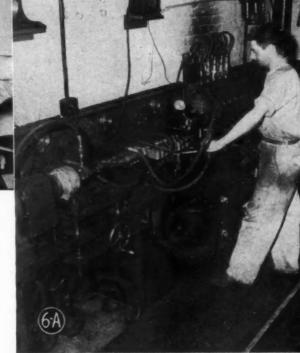
ing device set into the center so that the inspector never has to lift a heavy radiator. The unit consists of a tank, a hydraulic cylinder and piston, a foot valve, oil and air reservoir, a hand valve and connecting piping. The diagram shows a schematic view of the arrangement of these parts.

The tank is made from sheet steel reinforced at the top and bottom and at the corners with angle iron. The elevating platform is a plate welded to the top of the piston. A hydraulic cylinder is located below the tank, and the piston rod protrudes through the center of the tank's bottom. The air tank, hand valve and foot valve are located under the tank, placed readily accessible for operation and service.

Upon raising the radiator, oil is admitted through the foot valve to the cylinder under shop air line pressure. Elevating table can be held at any level or turned while the radiator is being filled with air. When it is desired to submerge the radiator, the air pressure is released and the weight of the radiator carries it down. The tester saves many hours of back breaking labor during a check of heavy bus radiator.

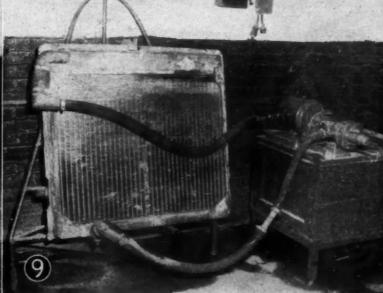
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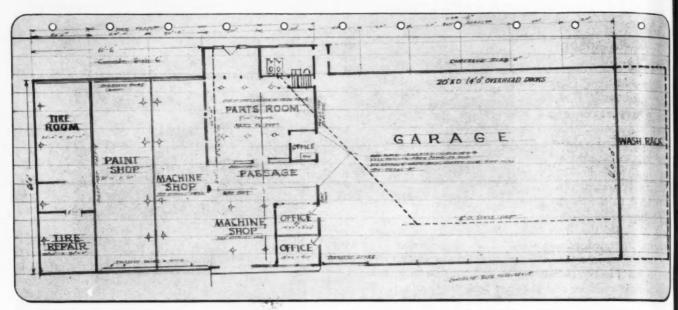








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Floor plan shows arrangement of complete facilities at Asbury Transportation System's new shop in Los Angeles.

Design feature of the building is use of overhead doors in place of walls, giving more light, better ventilation

Modern Fleet Shop Designed for Eff

California climate, minimum of fixed walls, plenty of overhead doors help

THE West's most versatile carrier that's the slogan of the Asbury Transportation System with headquarters in Los Angeles. Asbury operates more than five hundred vehicles through the states of Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana and California. Equipment ranges from the huge dromedary type truck-full trailers for general commodity hauling, to oil tankers and specially designed oil field equipment which after transporting the rigging, actually assists in its installation. If it's permissible to carry it, we'll move it—that's a promise of Asbury.

To maintain some 400 pieces of equipment normally operating in and around L.A., the company has just opened a new, modern shop complete with facilities from A to Z maintenance. This 80 by 220 ft building, together with a 60 by 240 ft terminal adjoining cost some \$500,000. As it was money well spent, it was also

facilities well utilized, for maintenance and inspection at Asbury now is as streamlined and smooth as good planning can make it. Here are some of the modern ideas incorporated into this installation.

Simplicity of construction was the theme of the structure. The building is a long, narrow design with an open air steam cleaning and wash rack comprising the entire end. The main shop consists of six double maintenance stalls without partitions of any kind. Then comes the offices and parts room, the engine rebuilding area, the body shop and the tire repair and storage area (see drawing).

Of simple, low-roof, single-gable construction, the shop has only four complete partitions made up of corrugated steel fabrication. The entire sides of the maintenance section, body and tire room consists of overhead doors. And of course (in sunny California) doors are somewhat superfluous. So the result is an openair shop, well-lighted, well-ventilated and providing pleasant working conditions for 35 mechanics, 4 lube men, 2 washers, 6 supervising personnel.

Cleaning and Washing Area

ONE end of the shop with project ing roof provides facilities for steam cleaning and washing. Truck are driven through this lane after each trip, where bodies are washe down and undercarriages are steam cleaned. Engines and large compon ents are carried to this spot with fork truck for steam cleaning prior to overhaul. The heating unit is housed in a separate building nearly, and steam is piped underground the rack.

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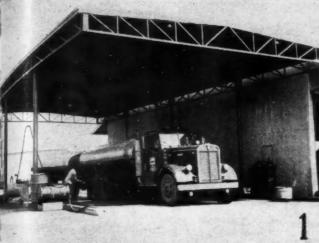
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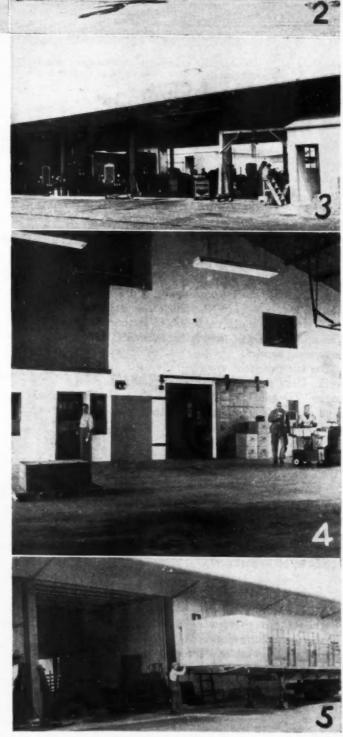
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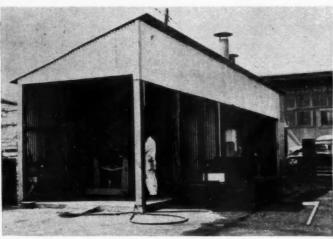
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- 4. Superintendent's office is at left, parts at right 5. Body rebuilding area is just to rear of engine room
- 6. Tire repair section has storage room directly to rear



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Modern Fleet Shop . . .

stalls comprising an area 60 by 120 ft. First section houses facilities and tools for brake, wheel, and heavy component assembly work. First two stalls are used for inspection and general engine work. Next set of stalls may be used for lubrication, inspection, tune-up, etc. Trend in this shop is to make all areas quickly available for any type service. For example, all lubricating equipment is portable—is stored in areas between stalls and can be moved quickly and conveniently when required. Thus, a man may carry the lubricating equipment to any stall, grease it while the truck is getting other service. The same is true of tune-up instruments. Result is fast, convenient service.

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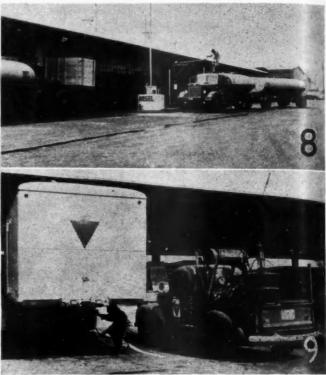
The last two stalls are generally used for heavy engine work. Here engines are removed and transported to the engine overhaul area for complete overhaul. Replacement engines are installed, and other components are serviced simultaneously.

Office and Parts Room

NEXT section of the building is the office space and the parts room. The engine rebuild area is housed just behind this. This area is about the only section completely enclosed. Layout has provided a clear view for the maintenance superintendent of the maintenance area. Parts room is adjacent the engine work, and tool crib is handy to all departments.

Body Rebuilding Area

FACILITIES for all body work are housed in another straight-through area immediately behind the engine rebuild area. During nice weather, however, work is performed on the outside. The area is arranged so that at least one vehicle can be worked on at a time inside. Painting, at the present moment, is done in the open behind the shop. Here the area is large enough and the air is warm and clear enough to make satisfactory paint jobs possible without special housing facilities.



7. Engine dynamometer shed is just off maintenance area 8. Refueling area location is outside, opposite terminal 9. Mobile lube equipment is used for servicing trailers

Tire Repair and Storage

TIRE inspection, repair and mounting is done at the end section of the shop. One side, as noted, is devoted to housing the spreader, the tube testing tank, the inflating guard and tools for mounting and dismounting. The enclosed area behind this is used for storage of casings and tubes.

The Dynamometer Shed

ENGINES are run in on an engine dynamometer housed in this shed which is located just opposite the shop maintenance section. This again is open on two sides, which materially reduces problems of lighting and ventilation. Engines are carried to the dynamometer with a fork lift truck modified for the work. Beyond this section is housing for the steam cleaning power plant.

The Refueling Island

REFUELING is done at the side of the shop facing the docks. Water, oil, gasoline and diesel fuel are readily available, being piped from underground storage tanks. Fire hazards are held at a minimum, and considerable time is saved with this arrangement.

Lubrication of Trailers

SO AS not to hold trailers up unnecessarily, a pick-up truck carrying all lubrication equipment necessary drives to the dock, and the lube man pulls a quickie while the cargo is being loaded or unloaded. Complete trailer inspections are given at this time. Result is no loss of time whatever, and the equipment is ready to roll as soon as loaded.

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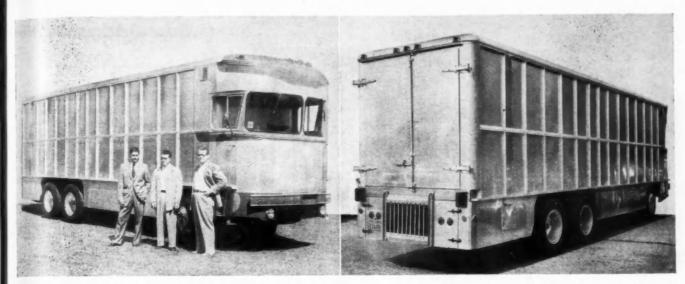
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Three-axle model is rated at 42,000 lb GVW. Four-axle model has power steering, is designed for 59,000 lb GVW

Engine, accessible for service through doors at side and floor panel, transmission and radiator drop out as a unit

NOW in pilot model testing stages, a new highway van with modern lines has recently been developed by McBright, Inc., Lehighton, Pa. Vehicle is original in that there is no chassis. All component parts are suspended from the floor of the truck including the motor. There will be three models put into production which may be 33 or 35 ft long. The first will be with single axle front and rear for light hauling. The second has single axle in front and tandem rear axle for general highway use, and the third has tandem axle front and rear for extra heavy loads.

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Making extensive use of aluminum, the three-axle model has an overall weight of 14,000 lb unloaded, a gross weight of 42,000 lb for registration purposes distributed with 10,500 lb on the front axle, 31,500 on the rear axle, although it is stressed to carry much greater loads.

The four-axle unit will be able to load 23,000 lb on the front two axles and 36,000 lb on the rear tandem or a total GVW of 59,000 lb. It will be equipped with Bendix-Westinghouse power steering. All other component parts will be the same as in the three-axle unit.

The 145 hp White Mustang engine is mounted vertically behind the tandem rear axle, supplies power through a White transmission to the second, single-speed driving axle. The driving axle and the dead rear

Powered-Van Uses White Engine

Available with two, three or four axles, all component parts are suspended from van's floor

axle are Timken standard production units. The unit also uses a White front axle, Neway suspension, Ross steering and a Bendix-Westinghouse air brakes, clutch, and accelerator.

Location of the engine at the rear of the unit is designed for accessibility and easy servicing. A door is provided at either side for routine engine servicing. There is also a panel in the floor at the rear for more complete servicing.

Engine Change

THE engine, transmission and radiator can be dropped out as a unit in a matter of minutes. They are fastened with a few bolts and a few connectors which make it pos-

sible to complete an engine change in less than four hours.

Overall dimensions of the vehicle are: length 32 ft 11 in.; width 8 ft; height 11 ft. It has a 28 ft 11 in. cargo space with a flat floor and 7½ ft by 32 in. air conditioned, sponge rubber padded sleeper bunk.

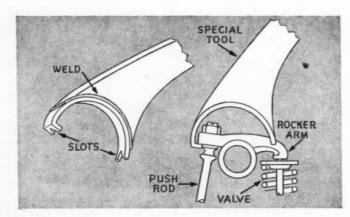
Other features of the new unit include: control on brake system to shift braking ratios from front to rear wheels in bad weather to counteract skidding; spare tire mounted under cab and attached to cable hoist so that it may easily be pulled into position; aluminum wheels; hydraulically operated seat for driver and co-driver; driver's seat mounted six feet above road for greater visibility.

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Here are some swell time savers for fleet shops. Let us have your ideas for new tools or short cuts to service. We'll pay \$10 and \$25 for good ones.

To Remove Ford Push Rods

By Louis L. Repko Ford Motor Co. Detroit



Quick removal, repair and replacement of push rods and hydraulic tappets on Ford 6-cyl engines can be accomplished with this tool developed in our engine repair section. The tool is made of a curved steel strip having slots at both ends to which has been welded a handle to provide leverage.

By engaging the forward slot of the tool under the rocker arm and placing the rear slot atop the rocker arm above the valve, as illustrated, the push rod can be freed for easy removal by pushing down on the handle. The hydraulic tappet can then also be easily removed for easy servicing.

Cup Catches Cutting When Co

By Roy Johnson Consolidated Freightway Portland, Ore.

This shop-made cup catches and prevents cuttings from going down into the crankshaft and into the oil holes on Cummins or other wet. sleeve engines when the block is counter-bored. Take the upper half of an old cylinder liner and weld a

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Clutch Tester Is Madefrom Pla

Capital Transit Co. Washington, D. C.

A relatively simple device for testing pressures of heavy duty clutch assemblies can be made from an old platform scale as shown in the photograph. All you need is a bracket which is bolted to the sides of the scale and provided with a pressure adjustment such as the illustrated threaded screw assembly. A hand wheel provides for quick and easy application of pressure.

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By W. J. Thompson The Carnation Co. Los Angeles, Cal.

This handy trailer jack consists of four pieces welded together as illustrated. A short length of 1-beam is welded to the top of a 10-ton screw jack; a tripod made from 8-in. dia. well casing is welded to the bottom of the jack; and a round piece of sheet steel is welded to the bottom of the tripod. Easy maneuverability

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Light in Pipe Protects Reg

By Miss Carolina Klein Kleins Dairy Products Cullman, Ala.

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Reversing Spring Boll

By R. H. Nuhn Elyria, Ohio

In replacing rear springs in International LF-170 and LF-190 tandems it is impossible to remove the 7¾ by 7/8-in. bolts that hold the top pad at without a great deal of dismantling

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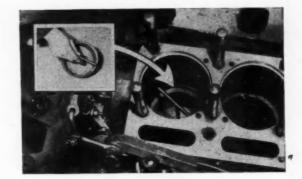
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bottom on it. Weld a T-handle to the bottom on the inside to make the cup easy to install and remove. Before placing cup into cylinder block, a sleeve rubber is fitted around it. This gadget is saving us many man-



s Madefrom Platform Scale

In operation, first set the weights on the scale's balance arm at the number of pounds pressure wanted on the clutch. Then place the clutch assembly on the platform and apply pressure to the clutch pressure plate through the adjusting screw until the clutch travel conforms to pre-deter-mined specifications. At this point, if the clutch is adjusted properly, the balance arm on the scale will lift.





, Traile Jack Has Tripod Base

over the shop floor is provided when a tow chain is connected to an eye

bolt secured to one leg.
Unique feature of this jack is the way we fashioned the legs. The pipe was slit for a distance of 18 in. and the sections spread as shown. This makes a lightweight, sturdy support for trailer work.





cts Real Light in Backing-Up

body around the light. This protects the rear light when backing up to platforms for loading and has practically eliminated broken rear lights.

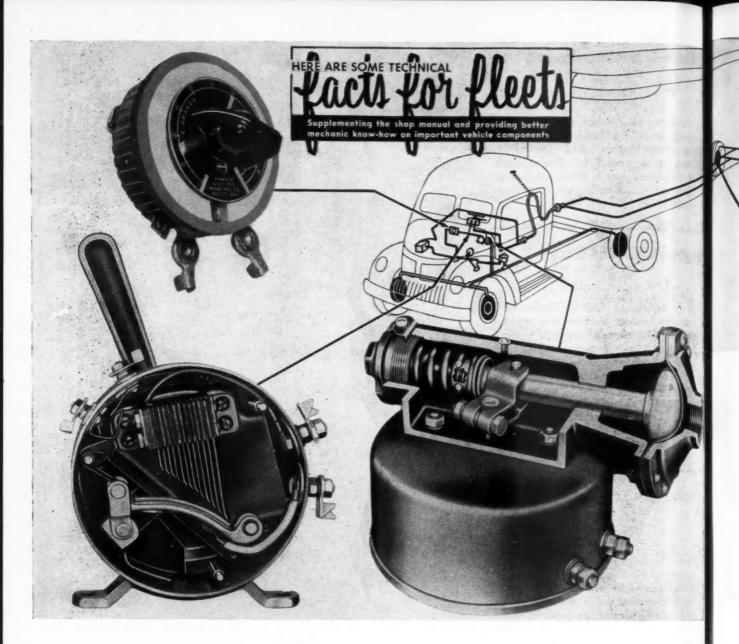




Makes Removing Easier

as they must come out through the top. We find it is cheaper to cut off the bolts and replace them with new bolts inserted from below, as illustrated.





THE Warner electric brake, prominent for many years, is becoming increasingly popular with modern commercial vehicles, where efficient operation, precise synchronization and independent brake systems are requisites to stafe stopping. Designed for installation on trailers and semi-trailers of all types and sizes, this brake can be synchronized with tractors equipped with air or hydraulic brakes. Electric brakes can be obtained as optional equipment on all trailers, or existing equipment can be converted at a relatively low cost.

For the benefit of readers who may not be completely familiar with the operation of this type brake, here is a brief description of operating prin-

The Warner

ciples. This is a mechanical brake, using current from the vehicle's electrical system for actuation. There are three basic parts: the controlling devices, the magnet and armature, the brake shoe and drum.

The controlling device consists of a hand controller, mounted on the steering wheel posts; an air-electric or a hydraulic-electric foot controller, for actuation by the tractor brake foot pedal; and a load control, mounted on the dash for adjustment to load and road conditions.

The controller (1) is a simple rheostat with which the driver can apply any degree of braking power. As the lever is moved across the resistance, the current is varied to the magnet at the foundation brake. In

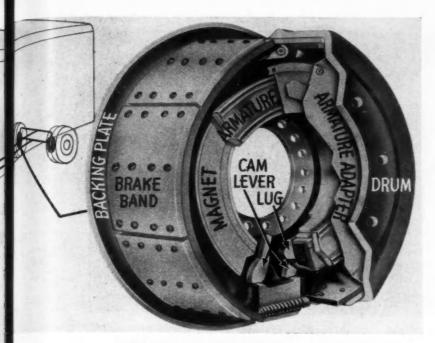
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Schematic diagram of truck-trailer showing location of major units required for electric brakes. Inset photos show, left to right: load control, hand controller, airelectric foot controller, and the brake shoe and drum

Actuated by energizing a magnet and armature, it can be adjusted to both weight of load and condition of highway, as well as synchronized with air or hydraulic brakes

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The load control, however, makes possible the adjustment of the full output of the brake to the load conditions. By adjusting the control knob (2) to the point where the wheels will just start to skid with a particular load, the driver is able to

apply full brakes at their most efficient point without regard for the positioning of the hand or foot controller. As the load is lightened, or when additional weights are added, the driver simply resets the control as required. The load control is of particular value in adjusting brake power on wet or icy pavement.

Two types of foot controllers are

available: one for hydraulic brake equipped tractors and one (3) for air braked tractors. This unit uses the same type rheostat found in the hand controller, difference being that this unit is connected to either the master cylinder line or the air line so that it is actuated by the foot pedal. The controller is adjustable so that the trailer brakes may be positively synchronized with the tractor brakes. The electric brake is a simple mechanical brake utilizing an electromagnet and armature (4) for shoeapplying force. The magnet is mounted in the brake assembly and is free to rotate a limited number of degrees on its pilot. The poles of the magnet press against the armature, depressing it slightly against armature springs. The armature is mounted in the brake drum and turns with the wheel.

Self-Energizing

W HEN current flows through the magnet, the magnet tends to cling to the turning armature, with the result that the magnet turns on its pilot. As it turns, the lug on back of the magnet moves against the brake cam, which forces the brake shoe into brake drum. From this point in brake operation, the brake is self-energizing in its application.

The greater the amount of current supplied to magnet, the harder the brakes are applied. When the brake is released, by cutting off current, the magnet loses its attraction for armature, the lug releases the cam, the cam releases shoe, and the shoe return springs pull the shoes back to released position. Because of the speed and controllability of electricity brake actuation and release are instantaneous and in the degree of power needed.

No adjustment of shoe-drum clearance is required throughout the useful life of lining, since the magnet trend will allow actuation of shoes down to rivet heads holding the lining. At this point, the magnet comes against an automatic stop, preventing the rivet heads from scoring the brake drum.

The trailer brake circuit consists of a single electric cable to each wheel. Each brake draws approximately the same amperage as a stoplight. Current is taken from live terminal on starter switch; ground is made at battery.

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Detergent mix, fed through fountain brushes, washes trucks after initial spray and is rinsed off by second 17-nozzle spray rack. Horse blanket on first spray rack wipes scum off roof. Note 3-D effect of loaf of bread

Bakery Writes Recipe for High

It stirred-up a shop-made washrack that increased production from

AT ITS unpretentious Montreal garage, Wonder Bakeries Limited (a division of Consolidated Bakeries of Canada Ltd.) services the major portion of what probably represents the largest bakery fleet in Canada. Of Wonder Bakeries' more than 400 units, at least 275 of these-among them 1/2 and 1-ton door-to-door delivery trucks, 12 large vans and 3 tractor trailers—are maintained in Montreal under the sharp eye of Fleet Superintendent Hugh G. Brown.

While awaiting a badly-sought expansion to the existing quarters, the fleet superintendent and his shop foreman, J. Baxter, have introduced a series of innovations that have had a "stretching" influence on the cramped quarters.

By Michael M. Gutwillig

A case in point is the washrack designed by Hugh Brown and built entirely at the Wonder Bakeries' St. Urbian Street garage. This proved an amazing labor- and time-saving device. Previously it took one man a full 8-hour shift to turn out eight or 10 trucks a night. They were lucky to get 20 trucks washed on a shift. What was worse, there was no specified place to do the washing.

Today, however, three men turn out 200 trucks on an 8-hour night shift, and most Wonder Bread trucks are now washed every night. As each unit checks in at the garage in the

evening to gas up, it automatically passes through the washstand. There's never any hold up in the processing.

Scrap pipe and other easy-to-comeby materials were used in the construction. Figuring labor and everything, the cost probably reached \$250. Yet the unique stand has caught the imagination of a host of major properties in the Montreal

The operation involves passing a truck through two racks for a Each rack sprays double rinse. water from about 17 nozzle outlets. A mixer on the wall blends the soap detergent with water and this mixture is then pressure-fed by a motor through to the manually-operated fountain-head brushes.

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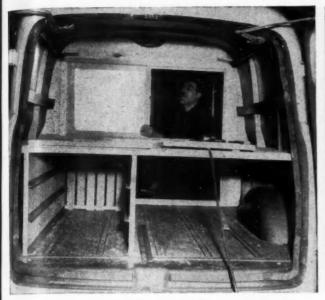
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Carpenter section fits multi-stop delivery trucks with angle iron slides to speed loading through use of fiber-board trays, cutting loading time from 45 to 5 min



Frost-stuck ball bearings made doors difficult to open, so shop modified doors to hang on simple steel channel. With once-a-month greasing, doors now operate in coldest weather

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Hugh G. Brown, fleet superintendent, Wonder Bakeries Montreal, Canada

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Two men man the brushes while a third examines for and touches up spots that require extra attention. Actually, speeds of up to a truck per minute can be attained under this arrangement.

The initial spray is especially helpful during the cold Winter months. It has the effect of taking the frost out in zero weather. Otherwise it would be difficult to remove the ice. To remove the scum from the truck roof, an old horse blanket has been applied at the first or entry end of the rack. The second rack rinses off the soap.

The company would have been reluctant to buy a costly unit at this time. However, experience with this improvised rack may well sell top management on the merits of a custom-made wash stand when facilities are expanded.

Body Rebuilding

WONDER Bakeries either builds or modifies many of its truck bodies to its own specifications in this garage. Delivery trucks, for instance, are fitted up in the car-(TURN TO PAGE 136, PLEASE) Shop where 3-D bread is put on keeps two spray booths busy. High-capacity exhaust system permits spray painting in booth without using mask



New system has eliminated duplication in servicing, has reduced maintenance cost from 21 to 15 per cent of fleet's gross revenue

By C. H. Rose

Fleet Maintenance Superintendent East Texas Motor Freight Lines, Dallas, Texas

TRAVELING RECORDS Carry Full PM Story



IN THE past 12 months, we have developed a new type record program for our shop that gives us a complete history on equipment from the standpoints of service, mechanical repairs and PM operations. This record is kept on the equipment at all times and is available immediately

when the truck, tractor or trailer arrives at one of our shops.

In a fleet operation where there are several maintenance shops, such as ours, this card system absolutely eliminates duplication of repairs and similar maintenance operations and enables the mechanics, with the help of the shop foreman if required, to go directly to the root of the trouble when the unit comes in for work. This in itself accounts for a substantial savings in maintenance and repair cost.

We are finding also that this card system which accompanies the unit

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Each vehicle carries complete set of service records in special holder wherever it may go

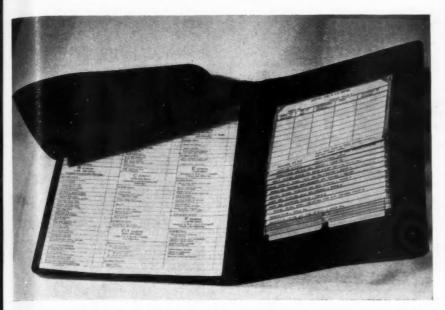
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Refueling is done by Grade A mechanics. At same time, they inspect vehicles and have authority to send units to shop when they feel it is necessary



has a very good effect upon the drivers. Most of them check the record and the cards carefully before they take a unit out.

Before our present system was put in operation, the maintenance cost was running approximately 21 per cent of the gross revenue. This was practically a prohibitive figure. One year later, under the operation of our present system, maintenance has been reduced to 15 per cent of gross revenue.

The repair order is made in triplicate on white, pink and buff cardboard. Forms are numbered in the upper right hand corner. At the left of the form there is a space for the material used; in the center, the repairs made and by whom; in the lower center, the motor number and the serial number; and in the lower right hand corner the total labor charge, total material charge and grand total. On the back of the repair order form at the right is the labor record which we have stamped in and out with our time-clock. The center is the material record. The card can be reversed to give a double listing on labor record.

When the work has been done and the repair order forms completed, the white and pink copies are mailed to our fleet maintenance office in Dallas, where one copy goes to the general office and one copy becomes part of a maintenance record at the shop superintendent's office. The cardboard or buff copy is retained and filed by the shop doing the work.

A service repair and maintenance record card file is made up with a leatherette cover and contains a set of cards with cellophane tab holders.

For a truck or tractor the first two cards of this set show the amount of gas and oil used, the speedometer reading, the date, and the location where gassed. The cards also show the amount of oil added each time the unit was gassed. We are finding, now that we get the record each time the truck is gassed and the record of any oil added, that we are much better diagnosticians than we were before. A running record of oil consumption, for example, will often produce an answer which otherwise could be worked out only after several hours of shop labor.

Help Spot Repairs

THE third card shows speedometer reading, lube and oil changes, the date, the shop where the work was done, chassis lubrication, transmission and differential changes. We are finding very often now that these complete records help immeasureably in spotting a repair need. Without the complete record at our finger-tips, the defect might not have shown up.

The fourth card shows the speedmeter reading, date, the shop where the work was done and lists front and rear brake relining and front and rear wheel bearing repacking data. The next card is for engine

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Trailmobile's 9-Foot Tandem

Ups Payload

Spacing is of special benefit in bridge formula states

TRAILMOBILE INC., Cincinnati, Ohio, recently perfected a nine-foot tandem, primarily for the use of heavy load haulers, such as sand, cement, machine parts, fertilizer, hardware, paper and similar commodities.

With the nine-foot tandem, payload capacity is increased particularly in states where load limitations are based on the bridge formula specified weight per foot allowed depending on the axle spacing.

Axle to axle, the nine-foot tandem is five feet longer than the conventional four-foot regular tandems. It follows in principle the features built into the standard Trailmobile tandem suspension.

With only two moving parts, the tandem is easy to operate and maintain. Trailmobile twin "rocking beams" cushion loads against shocks and brake action. The nine-foot rocking beams are constructed of pressed steel and construction is the same as for regular four-door tandems, except for the oversized parts and an optional dock feature.

The nine-foot tandem does not exceed eight-foot overall legal width when turning and contains 371/2 per cent more rock than the regular fourfoot tandem. Through the balanced rocker beams, the braking force and load distribution are equalized on both axles.

Sharp Angle Turns

THE optional dock feature lifts front axle and tires to provide simplified operation in congested areas, when docking or wherever sharp-angled turns are required. This optional feature does not interfere with the tandem operation.

By addition of a rocker beam between two standard axle suspensions, the load is constantly equalized on both axles regardless of road conditions or braking torque. As pres-

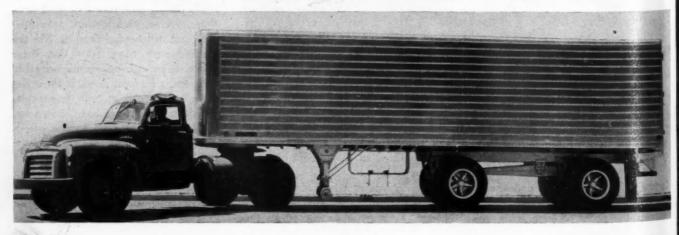
The only lubrication required is at two Alemite fittings on the underside of each rocker arm. These fill a large grease reservoir that keeps trunnion bearings lubricated constantly.

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sure is exerted upward on one axle, due to road irregularities or braking action, the rocker beams immediately exert an equal downward pressure on the other axles, thereby maintaining an even distribution of the load on both axles. Due to the length of the rocker bars, the movement at the pivot point is reduced to a minimum.

the load, maintaining excellent axle alignment. They are insulated against metallic shock at both ends by rubber bushings held under high com-

Built on "rocking beam" principle of standard Trailmobile tandem, axle does not exceed 8-ft overall width in turning



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Beefed-Up Tractor Ups Payload by 2½ Tons

Trailing axle and higher hp engine does the trick

By L. H. Houck

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FACED with a state weight limit of 59,000 lb for six wheel tractor and four wheel trailer combinations, L. E. Boling, owner of Boling Truck Service, Kewanee, Ill., has found a way to gain 5000 lb additional payload and still meet the restrictions.

Starting with a new F-20 Reo, he replaced the 250 cu in. engine with a 331 cu in. Gold Comet, removed the standard W6-T98 transmission and replaced it with the heavier CLA-205V unit from an F-22, and added a standard model Hendrickson trailing axle. The result; horsepower rating was upped from 93 @ 3400 rpm to 128 @ 3200 rpm with the engine

governed at 52 mph. Standard 8.25 by 20 tires were retained on the modified tractor.

Result of the changes is that Boling has an F-20 chassis with the power of an F-22 at a weight saving of between 4000 and 5000 lb compared with the stndard unit. With the third axle installed, the payload was redistrubted so that a greater portion was on the tractor axles.

Here's how the weight saving is calculated:

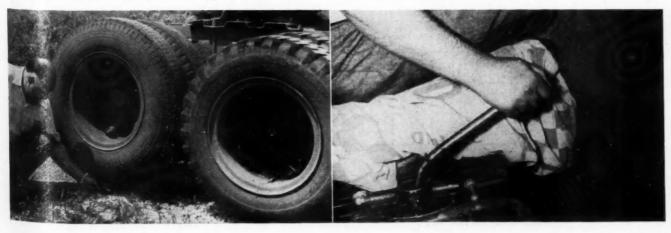
A standard F-20 has a gross weight of 16,000 lb and a chassis weight, without cab, of 4445 lb. A standard F-22 has a gross weight of 22,000 to 25,000 lb and a chassis weight of 6130 to 7340 lb depending on equipment. Thus, an F-22 tractor with tandem axle weighs 11,800 lb while the modified F-20 with the same power weighs only 7800 lb.

The trailing axle is hooked up

with a hydraulic lift operated from the driver's seat so that it can be raised and lowered while in motion. One advantage of this is that on slippery roads weight normally on the trailing axle can be transferred to the driving wheels for added traction. The driver can also regulate the weight on the trailing axle. Control of the pump is located between the front seat cushions within easy reach of the driver.

While admittedly increasing the power and work for the lighter unit, Boling has accumulated 121,000 miles on it without any extra trouble. Most of the mileage was in strenuous moving van service, and it was recently used under a special permit to haul Caterpillar D8 tractors with the tractor and loaded trailer combination weighing 68,060 pounds. He also admits, however, that the unit is assigned to a good driver.

Hydraulic lift, controlled by lever next to driver, permits operator to raise or lower trailing axle while truck is in motion thus shifting weight to drive axle, an advantage on slippery roads when more traction is needed



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Cold Weather Driving Problems

Here are some new slants on low temperature engine operation resulting from recent research as adapted from an SAE paper

REDUCTION in cold starting difficulties can be achieved through the use of fuels and crankcase lubricants designed for low temperature operation. These products, however, have definite temperature limits below which starting aids of one form or another must be used depending upon the engine. Gasoline engines usually require starting aids at temperatures below 25°F, while in diesel engines such aids are used with advantage at temperatures as high as 40°F, and in most cases are absolute necessities at temperatures below 0°F. Prior to the development of reliable winter fuels and lubricants and starting aids, it was general practice in all cold areas to keep an engine running con-

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tinuously, once starting was achieved. While this practice eliminates starting difficulties, it is expensive both from the standpoint of fuel consumed (a medium sized passenger car engine will consume about one gallon of gasoline per hour of idle operation) and increased engine wear which takes place if engine temperatures are low.

Today, except for certain commercial operations, continuous idling is used to maintain cab temperatures at a comfortable level rather than to eliminate starting troubles, and the increasing use of heaters to keep jacket coolants at normal operating temperatures is reducing this practice. Continuous idling of engines equipped with automatic transmissions has presented a serious problem in recent years. The major cause of automatic transmission failure during Arctic winter operation has reported as due to overheating caused by long periods of idling with the transmission in the drive position. Thus, the elimination of long idle periods is becoming increasingly im-

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Fig. 1. Effectiveness of starting fluids in starting diesel engines at relatively high ambient temperatures

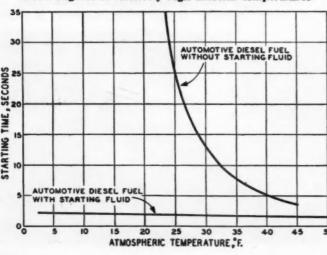
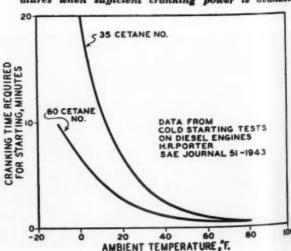


Fig. 2. Starting fluids will work at lower temperatures when sufficient cranking power is available



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A Look At Alternator Systems

Summarizing their advantages, this report, adapted from an SAE paper, suggests when and why they should be considered

IT IS desirable to review the design procedures commonly used in the automotive industry to estimate the size generator that will be needed to power your new truck or bus. The automotive battery gives best performance when charged with a constant voltage system. Voltage control units do not meet this requirement exactly but for all practical purposes, we can assume constant voltage for system load calculations.

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The old "Rule of Thumb" design procedure assumes a constant voltage and compares electrical load amperes against the generator rating. This method suggests the continuous load amperes should never exceed 75 per cent of the generating rating for a reliable system. Unfortunately many electrical systems designed on this

By D. A. Gilchrist

The Leece-Neville Co. Cleveland, Ohio

basis do not keep the battery fully charged under severe operating conditions.

Studies of these failures revealed that time had to be included in the calculations. We soon found that when ampere hour loading was compared against ampere hours generated, and a surplus was available in the generating system, we no longer had discharged batteries. The system calculations using ampere hour values should be based on the poorest operating conditions. The operating

scheduled for the vehicle must be defined or estimated including the per cent of operating time for all accessories, and for all speeds. Practically all vehicles follow a cycling operation procedure and thus the calculations can cover the period of time required to complete one cycle. A tabulation of this data will make it easy to calculate the ampere hours load for all accessories, summing these up and comparing the total figure against the total ampere hours generated. The load ampere hours may be equal to or less than 80 per cent of the ampere hours generated. Sample calculations will be presented later in order to recognize the merits of alternator systems as compared to direct current generators.

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Fig. 1. A.c.-d.c. and d.c. system performance compared (alternator belt radio—21/4 to 1, d.c.—11/2 to 1)

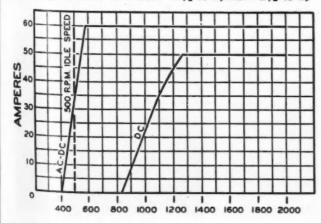
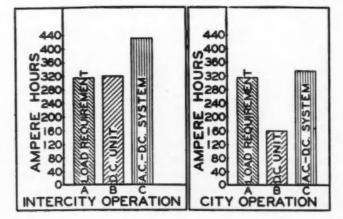


Fig. 2. Ampere-hour comparison between alternator system and d.c. system for both intercity and urban usage



Dorsey's Fleet Chief

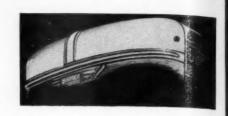
Capped with Plastic

Main object of new feature is to eliminate damage



PLASTIC roof caps are now used on all new Dorsey Fleet Chief vans. Made of Fiberglas-reinforced polyester, the cap is said to eliminate the problem of damage to the cap by low-hanging tree limbs or other obstructions. In the event that it suffers

a blow sufficient to puncture the plastic, the trailer can be rapidly repaired with a kit which is furnished to the firm's distributors. The repair can be made from the outside of the trailer so that the cargo need not be disturbed.



In addition to its strength, the cap is light in weight, won't rust, rot or warp. Dorsey takes advantage of its translucency by leaving areas at the top unpainted to admit light into the forward end of the trailer.

Although maintaining the same appearance as previous models, the new Fleet Chiefs have several additional new features. The horizontal ribs in the aluminum side sheets, formerly rounded, are now stamped out in semi-hexagon shape, giving them added strength. The electrical system has also been arranged so that all wiring is accessible from the exterior of the trailer. Position and size of the equipment confirms to ATA standards. As an added feature, tail lights and directional signals are recessed in heavy cast steel.

Other Features

REDESIGNING of the rear skirt assembly has resulted in a deeper skirt, recessed, cast, rear door latch and stronger cast corner bumper blocks.

The Reyco tandem sub-frame has been shortened to reduce weight, but has been strengthened by tieing-in the frame more firmly with the rear skirt assembly. The fifth wheel pickup plate has also been strengthened by addition of a flange at the front.

Strick "Sky Lite" Lights Trailers

TRANSLUCENT is also the key word in a new roof feature offered on trailers built by Strick Co., Philadelphia. Further extending use of Fiberglas-reinforced polyester plastic, used in its plastic lined reefer (see July issue, page 96) and in its plastic freighter, the company now offers, as a production option, a translucent plastic roof panel, letting light in.

The plastic "Sky Lite" replaces a standard aluminum roof panel and is as completely watertight and weatherproof as the aluminum. It is designed to eliminate the need for hanging lights and long electric cords in the trailer during daylight. Full visibility in the trailer body permits quicker identification of freight, faster loading and unloading.



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Here is a brief but complete camshaft bearing service manual that will be handy in any shop to supply a quick review of camshaft bearing maintenance. The publication has only three sections; why, when and how to replace camshaft bearings.

The "why" is summarized under four major headings as follows: (1) excessive oil consumption, (2) starvation of main and connecting rod bearings, (3) engine foul-up and (4) noisy, inefficient engine. How worn camshaft bearings contribute to each of these troubles is covered in a brief paragraph under each heading. The "when" presents three occasions, based on the manufacturer's experience, when camshaft bearings should be replaced.

Balance of the manual is devoted to a four-step "how" procedure for removing old camshaft bearings and inserting new ones to obtain correct fit. Four large and clear photographs aid in explaining the operations.

To obtain your copy of this camshaft bearing manual, circle L1 on the post-card on the next page.

L2. Highway Data

Here, in a 20-page, letter-size booklet, is an excellent summary of why adequate highways are important to the economic growth of the United States, what the problem is, and suggestions as to what can be done about it. Fleet operators will be able to make very good use of the data summarizing the reasons on how and why our road system is inadequate. All too often fleet users do not have available the readily concise answer available in this publication when a member of the general public asks, "Well, if it is not trucks and buses that make our highways inadequate, what does?"

This is the answer that was prepared

by the Automobile Manufacturers Assn. and presented by it to the Subcommittee on Roads of the House Committee on Public Works. Several multicolored charts highlight the very readable text that presents a sound case for more adequate highways as the solution to our problem of increasing traffic.

Fleetmen can obtain a copy of this valuable report, and information on how to obtain additional copies for their entire personnel, by circling L2 on the postcard.

L3. Bearing Reports

Complete in one letter-size file folder available to readers is Volume II of a series of reports on roller and ball bearing maintenance. Each of the four-page reports in the folder discusses anti-friction bearing construction to give users information needed in choosing the right type bearing for specific requirements. Each bulletin also has a section on bearing maintenance trouble shooting and "shop hints" on bearing maintenance.

Among the trouble shooting subjects covered are: why bearings fail, reasons why bearings overheat, curing noisy bearings, checking bearings after mounting, precision bearings and tolerances, ball bearing grease lubrication, ball bearing oil lubrication, and selection of anti-friction bearings.

Fleet maintenance men will find this a handy file to help solve ball and roller bearing maintenance and purchase problems. Circle L3 on the postcard on the following page for your copy.

L4. ATA "Who's Who"

Later this month the annual convention of the American Trucking Assns. will be held in Los Angeles, Cal. Last year COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL published as a service to those attending

the convention a "Who's Who" of suppliers, fleetmen and ATA staffmen in attendance. It met with such an enthusiastic reception, that it is being done again this year. Copies will be distributed at the convention to all those who register. For those who do not make the meeting here is a way to get a copy of this year's "Who's Who at the ATA Convention."

Included in the listings are the industry suppliers at the convention with both their company address and where they can be located at the convention. Each truck line's home address is listed with names of personnel attending the meeting. Handy information in the back of the book includes a list of ATA affiliated state associations and names of ATA staffmen attending the meeting.

If you cannot get to the convention and would like a copy of the "Who's Who," circle L4 on the postcard.

L5. Road Report

Particularly interesting in this 21page report on the status of the roads and highways in the United States are the several, full-page charts and diagrams. This is another of several wellwritten and valuable publications on the need for adequate roads and what can be done about obtaining them. Every fleetman should have a file on this subject and include this report.

Among the charts expanding the compact and understandable text is an unusual one that shows highway construction for five year periods and projects these mileages showing when they have or will be worn out. It indicates that at the present rate only 69 per cent of highway miles in service on Jan. 1, 1952, will be replaced by 1962.

You can obtain a copy of this booklet, together with information on obtaining additional copies, by circling L5 on the postcard on the next page.

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ADDITIONAL DETAILS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST VIA POSTCARD



P1. Battery Charger

A light-weight, all-purpose portable battery charger for charging both 6 and 12-volt batteries has just been added to the line of Marquette Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn. The new model 207 selenium-plate "Slo-Fast" charger, weighing only 15½ lb, will provide fast, slow and trickle charges to both 6 and 12-volt batteries.

P2. Timing Light

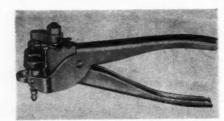
A new universal power timing light, Model No. E-1225, which automatically operates on either 6 or 12-volt equipped vehicles, has been announced by Allen Electric and Equipment Co., Kalamazoo, Mich. This design feature eliminates danger of wrong hook-ups, or burned out flash bulbs.

P3. Fitting Cover

Dirt and other abrasives can be kept from entering grease fittings by using a new cover being produced by Winner Mfg. Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. Known as the "Zur-Kap," and



made of oil-resistant neoprene, it is designed for use on equipment using either Zerkor Alemite-type fittings.



P4. Gapping Tool

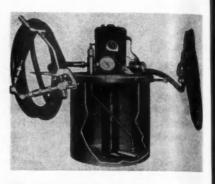
A special plier to simplify accurate setting of spark plug electrodes is announced by Owatonna Tool Co., Owatonna, Minn. The gauge wheel contains ten sizes: .022, .025, .026, .028, .030, .032, .035, .036, .038 and .040 which covers manufacturers' specifications on all makes of spark plugs. The gauge wheel is easily and quickly set to the desired size and once the gap is established the electrode will not spring back.

P5. Adjustable Dockboard

The new "Rite-Hite Unit Dock," produced by Loomis Machine Co., Clare, Mich., is a completely self-contained unit which can easily be installed in front of the present dock, or can be recessed in dock area at a minimum of installation expense. This is a complete, manually operated self-contained loading dock, having both vertical and horizontal adjustment. These units have a ramp of safety tread with side plates to prevent handling units slipping off. They are manually operated, thereby insuring no interruption of operation because of power failure.

P6. Ice Remover

An ice removing chemical to clean steps, walks, drives, loading docks and parking lots is announced by Monroe Co., Inc., Cleveland, Ohio. Known as X-73 Ice Remover, the product is said to melt ice and thaw snow, eliminate ice chipping and reduce the need for snow shoveling. It is also claimed to contain a rust inhibitor which affords protection to automobiles.



P7. Greasing Unit

A new battery-powered greasing unit which pumps grease directly from the drum is being offered by G & T Industries, Wichita, Kan. It operates on a hydraulic ram pump (powered by an ordinary automotive storage battery) which forces grease through a 25-ft high pressure reinforced hose to a universal gun handle where greasing pressure can be varied from 600 to 12,000 lb psi. Two models available: Model No. A-100 fits drum of 14¾-in. maximum outside diameter and minimum depth of 22 in Model No. A-110 fits drums of the same diameter but of at least 26-in. depth.

P8. Bushing Extractor

A new bushing and bearing extractor for extremely small size holes has been perfected by Crozier Machine Tool Co., Hawthorne,



Cal. The new unit consists of 10 threaded expanding arbors, a draw table, and can handle extraction from any hole from ½ to 25/32-in. ID dia.

The series 100 is available with a choice of single, two, four, or ten expanding arbors to a set. Arbor sizes are ½, 9/32, 5/16, 3/8, 7/16, ½, 9/16, 5/8, 11/16 and 3/4-in. Starter sets include steel carrying box, draw table, draw nut, anti-friction washer and choice of any two (2) of the above expanding arbors.

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Hunter Engineering Co., St. Louis, Mo., has introduced several additional items to their line of wheel balancing equipment. They are as follows: The Group 6 Universal Bus and Transport Truck Wheel Balancer. The Group 5 Wheel Balancer—for truck wheels up to 9:00 x 20 size. An optional lid and rim assembly for balancer spinners. The model 48-L Run-Out Gage.

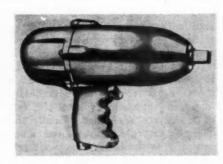
The Group 6 Universal Bus and Transport Truck Balancer is comprised of the Heavy-Duty Hunter Tune-In Balancing Instrument, the 8 hp Spinner and a portable utility cabinet which holds the various wheel adaptors and accessories. The Universal Wheel Spinner is a dual motor, heavy-duty unit. It has two 4 hp, 220 v, high rpm heavy-duty electric motors connected by means of a high speed coupling.

P10. Engine Alarm

An automatic engine alarm is being manufactured by the Sudbury Laboratory, South Sudbury, Mass. Whenever the temperature



of the engine goes over 200 deg, or the oil pressure drops to under 3 lb pressure, the alarm gives a combined audible (buzzer) signal and a visual (flashing red light) signal. It has a one-minute delayed action mechanism built into it to prevent any false alarm being given during the first 60 sec.



P11. Impact Wrenches

Mall Tool Co., Chicago, has announced three new pneumatic impact wrenches for tightening or removing of bolts and nuts, removing of broken cap screws and studs, tapping, reaming and driving and removing of lag screws and screw spikes. The Model No. PW-5014S takes 7/8-in. bolt or nut; its spindle has 34-in. square drive; speed is 1600 rpm free at 90 psi. The Model No. PW-4012P takes 34-in. bolt or nut; spindle has 3/4-in. square drive; speed is 1300 rpm free at 90 psi. Model No. PW-308P has capacity of 1/2-in. bolt or nut; spindle has 1/2-in. square drive; free speed is 1400 rpm at 90 psi.

P12. Oil Filters

For either internal or external mounting, a new series of large-capacity oil filters for trucks and heavy equipment has been announced by Wix Corp., Gastonia, N. C. The No. WF-750-C is heavy chrome plate and the No. WF-750 is neutral cream with maroon mounting straps. Bar-type cover handle eliminates cover bolts. Double center tube prevents drainback without valving. Neoprene-type cover gasket for positive, all around seal, and heavy gage, drawn steel construction. A selection of three heavy duty oil filter cartridges for "750 Series" filters is available. There are the Wix Sock type cartridge CW-750 and the can type CW-750-M, both containing Wixtie, and the can type CW-750-MS containing a special filtrant of highly absorbent paper and wood flock.

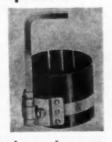


P13. Radiator Tester

Inland Manufacturing Company, Omaha, Nebr., has announced its Model No. 50A radiator "Flo-Test" machine. The new model tests radiators on or off the vehicle. It reportedly operates on a single electrical outlet and has no drains or water connections. Specifications for the machine are overall—40-in. length, 40-in. width, 64-in. height. The flow capacity maximum is 76 gpm.

P14. Ring Compressor

Zim Mfg. Co., Chicago, announces their new one-band piston ring compressors that take all rings at one time, including skirt rings on passenger car pistons. A heavy



duty, self-locking ratchet pawl prevents premature release. Bottom flare is eliminated because the tension band is made of high grade spring steel. There are three of these new one-band Zims, as follows:

Model No. Capacity Depth Weight No. 217 13/4 to 3 in. 2 in. 51/2 oz No. 218 21/8 to 5 in. 21/2 in. 7 oz No. 219 21/8 to 5 in. 11/8 in. 6 oz

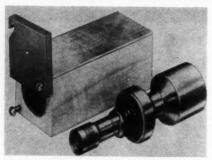
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New Product Descriptions

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P15. Valve-Lifter Gage

Jergens Tool Specialty Co., Cleveland, Ohio, announces the development of a new hydraulic valve-lifter gage for "L" head engines. The new gage



is calibrated within normal manufacturing tolerances for hydraulic valve-lifters to eliminate the time and guesswork involved in reassembling valve-lifter assemblies to check valve stem lengths after regrinding valve seats. It gives a direct reading and automatically locks itself in the reading position to eliminate errors.

P16. Welding Torches

Two new welding torches are now available from Marquette Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn. The Model No. J has special "O" ring seal construction to eliminate gas leaks and avoid unnecessary servicing. The torch is available with eight tip assemblies to give a welding range from 20 gage to $\frac{3}{8}$ in. Model No. L cuts up to two-inch steel with ease. Model No. H produces full "pre-set" heat instantly.

P17. Light-Weight Hoist

The Heil Co., Milwaukee, Wis., now has available on a production basis a new twin cylinder Model No. 2426 hoist, specifically designed for 8 to 17-ft long platform bodies and 8 to 10-ft dump bodies. Operating features include a 50-deg dumping angle and a low mounting height. Space from top of the truck chassis to bottom of the body is 9 15/16in. The hoist can be used with any platform body-even a 34 ton or 1 ton pickup truck if the frame has no "kick up," and the outside width is 36-in. or less. Payload capacity of the new hoist when used with a platform body ranges from 31/4 tons with a body length of 17 ft, to 61/4 tons with a body length of 9 ft. When mounted with a dump body the payload capacity is rated from 51/2 tons to 41/4 tons.

P18. Battery Chargers

A redesigned line of battery chargers for use on both 6 and 12-volt batteries has been announced by Bowers Battery and Spark Plug Co., Reading, Pa. The new "Saf-T-Taper" 6/12 volt fast charger is adaptable to either 6 or 12-volt batteries by flicking a toggle switch. Also incorporated into the new 6/12 volt charger is the "Saf-T-Taper" feature that automatically adjusts the starting rate of charger to the exact amperage rate that the battery will take safely with overheating. As the battery begins to accept a heavier charge the amperage rate is gradually increased automatically until the full charging rate is reached. Finally the charging rate gradually reduces automatically as the battery reaches maximum charge. An additional feature is the two-wheel, rubber tire detachable cart, permitting the charger to be purchased with or without cart. Also available for 6 and 12-volt charging is the "Utility Charger" and the "Trickle Charger." The utility charger will recharge a normally discharged 6 or 12volt battery overnight. The trickle charger automatically maintains 6 volt or 12-volt batteries or any combination of 6 and 12-volt batteries up to a total of 30 cells.

P19. Tire Demounter

Bos Tool Co., Pennsgrove, N. J., has introduced a new, hydraulically-operated truck tire demounter. The unit is



used for removing stuck or frozen tires from all type trucks by hydraulic pressure. It will handle all size truck tires 15 to 24-in. It is portable, can be used in the shop or on the road.

P20. Gear Pullers

A new line of gear and wheel pullers is available from J. H. Williams and Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Jaws and blocks are forged from selected steel and heat-treated for extra strength and safety. Jaw clips are self adjusting. Forcing screws are made of high quality alloy steel and heat-treated. New "unified" thread on screws and blocks is the latest development in screw thread design.

P21. System Cleaner

A cooling system cleaner is announced by Apex Chemicals Ltd., Toronto, Canada. It comprises a pumping unit with a capacity of 900 gal per hr and 5 psi at normal unrestricted flow with a maximum possible of 9 psi on a completely blocked system. A fluid-level control valve automatically maintains a constant liquid volume flowing in addition



to the normal contents of the vehicle cooling system. Direction of flow is controlled by a master valve. A pressure gage is furnished for each of the two outlets to the vehicle cooling system so that changes in pressure or flow may be seen in either normal or reverse-flush direction. Air-Pressure is employed in a combination with liquid chemicals to provide a positive higher frequency agitation to insure mechanical cleaning in cylinder head coolant passages and water jacket as well as the radiator. Pressurized flow returning from the cooling system in either direction is broken by means of a sealed visible chamber at the base of which is a filter for removing any particles of foreign matter before the cleaning solution is recirculated.

P22. Impact Wrench

Snap-on Tools Corp., Kenosha, Wis, announces the availability of a new ½ in. square drive electric impact wrench. This tool, the EW-500, can be used with a variety of sockets and attachments to increase the working

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COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL, October, 1953

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Experience has proved that chrome is the best answer to the higher engine speeds, engine temperatures, and compressions of modern cars. Some chrome ring sets are better than others.

Best of all are...

Sealed Power KromeX

FULL-FLOW RING SETS

- 1 Top compression ring is chrome-alloy cast iron with SOLID CHROME face, factory-lapped to a light-tight finish, with Granosealed sides for flexibility.
- 2 Side rails of MD-50 oil ring have SOLID CHROME faces, Granosealed sides for flexibility. Hundreds of thousands of cars have proved this ring best for oil control even in badly tapered and out-of-round bores.
- 3 All rings are beveled or tapered to thread-line contact for quick seating and blow-by control.

SEALED POWER CORPORATION, MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN

Sealed Power Piston Rings

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1953 New Truck Registrations by Makes by States*

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CCJ's Truck Specifications

COMPILED FROM DATA SUPPLIED EACH MONTH BY MANUFACTURERS

KEY TO DEFINITIONS-

MAKE AND MODEL

OPTIONAL UNITS

For the express purpose of best fitting the truck to the individual job most of the models listed can be provided with optional engines, transmissions, axies, etc., and these models when so equipped are considered standard stock models.

CHASSIS LIST PRICE

The chassis list price applies to the min-imum standard wheelbase with standard tires and standard equipment. All prices are F.O.B. factory. Chassis list price does not include the price of the Cab unless otherwise noted.

GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT FOR NORMAL SERVICE The Gross Weights published herewith are those supplied by manufacturers as their Recommended Gross Vehicle Weights for Normal Operating Conditions, and are based upon the Maximum Authorised Tire Size listed. In actual practice the manufacturer may either increase or decrease in the second of the second of the second favorable or unfavorable operating conditions are involved. Since the proper performance of a motor truck depends upon many factors, including grades, road conditions, etc., the gross weights that a manufacturer is prepared to recommend will vary with particular conditions, and the manufacturer's own standard of safety factors. Specific recommendations, therefore, should be obtained from the manufacturer's representative.

CHASSIS WEIGHT

The chassis weight listed includes the weight of the minimum standard wheelbase chassis, with cowi, with standard clipment, with crankcase and cooling system full, and 5 gallons of fuel in the tank. It does not include the

weight of the Cab. This applies to C.O.E. as well as conventional chassis types. Exceptions are noted.

STANDARD TIRE SIZE

The standard tire size listed is that which is included in the Chassis List Price.

MAXIMUM AUTHORIZED

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The tire size listed in this column is the maximum size recommended by the manufacturer of the chasels for the Gross Vehicle Weight for Normal Operating Conditions. It is furnished at extra cost, if it differs from the standard size. Dual rears are understood; exceptions noted.

WHEELBASE

MAXIMUM STANDARD WHEELBASE

The maximum standard wheelbase is the extreme end of the standard range of wheelbases offered by the chassis maker.

MAXIMUM BRAKE HP.

Maximum Brake Horsepower at Given R.P.M. is actual dynamometer reading without accessories

GEAR RATIO RANGE

Gear Ratio Range in High—Ratios within the range given are available at no extra cost. Exceptions are noted.

TRACTORS

Unless given the designation (N)— meaning not available as a tractor—all standard models may be assumed to be available as tractors. Exclusively Tractor models are designated (T).

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

MAKES-ALL

MARES—ALL
B-Bendus-Lipe
Bu of Bud—Buda.
BW—Bendix-Westinghouse.
C-Chevrolet.
Ct or Cla-Clark.
Com—Continental.
Cum—Cummins-Diesel.

Fu-Fuller,
0-H-Goodyear-Hawley type.
H-Hotchkiss.
Her-Hercules.
HS-Hall-Scott.
Int -International Harvester.
L-Lockheed.
LeR-I-ROI.
LH-Lockheed front, Wagner
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Var—Variable.
WG—Warner Gear.
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Wg—Wagner "hi-Tork."
Ws—Westinghouse.
WW—Westinghouse or Wagner

WHEELS DRIVEN

2F—Forward unit of Rear Axie Group. 2R—Rear Unit of Rear Axie Group. 4R—Forward and rear units of Rear Axie Group. 6—All wheels.

BRAKES-SERVICE

4—Four Wheels, front and rear. 4r—Four Wheels, rear only.

I—Internal. X—External.

Operation A—Air. H—Hydraulie. V-Vacuum.
D or Dp-Dual Primary.

BRAKES-HAND

Location
C—Center of double propeller shaft.
2—Rear wheels.
4—Four wheels.
6—Six wheels.
9—Back of Power Divider.
J—Jackshaft.
T—Transmission.
F—Driveshaft.

Type
D—Tru-Stop disk.
I—Internal.
M—Mechanical.
X—External.
PD—Two drums on rear of power divider.
F—Mechanical, foot operated

BRAKE DRUMS

Material

-Cast alloy iron.
-American Car Foundry.
-Cast iron.
c-Composite Front, Cast Iron in rear.

Ce—Centrifuse.
Ci—Copper iron.
Co—Composite.
D—Dayton.
E—Ermailte.
G—Gunite.
N—Nickel iron.
S—Steel.

(Where a combination of any of the above is used, the first reference mark applies to the front and the second to the rear drums.)

FRAME

C—Channel.
T—Channel tapered front and

rear.
-Channel reinforced with liner.

L-Channel reinforced with liner.

B-Channel reinforced with both liner and fishplate.

P-Channel reinforced with plate.

L-Channel spered front and rear reinforced with liner.

D-Drop Center.

Ti-Tapered front.

A-Straight section sidemembers, lined with oak inserts.

Z- Reinforced (X) member frame, box type sections.
BQ—Box girder.

Final Drive and Tyre

Final Drive and Tyre
R.—Bevel.
CD—Chain Drive.
F. Full-floating.
H or Hy—Hyphold.
d—Dual range axie.
2—Double Reduction.
S—Spiral bevel
W—Worm.
4—Three Quarters Floating.
§—Semi-Floating.
T—Torque Tube.

GEAR RATIOS

(**) Only one ratio

Drive and Torque

H—Hotchkiss (springs). R—Radius Rods. L—Parailei Torque Rods. T—Torque Arm.

GOVERNOR STANDARD

KEY TO REFERENCES-

s.f.-Cab Forward design.

c.e.e.—Cab-Over-Engine design. (D)-Diesel-engine equipped.

(T)-Designed for tractor use (C)-Ford or Chevrolet Models.

(R)-Remanufactured Fords. *—Denotes "Includes Cab"
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BROWN

available on all five models of trucks.

Steel frame only. Also available with Aluminum frame 10x3½x½.

Many variations available with Fuller or Spicer transmissions.

CHEVROLET

-- Includes spare tire, full fuel tank and cooling system.

-- T.80/20 are used on the front with no decrease in G.V.W. but the state of the system of the s

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\$ -4 speed transmission available.
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F.C.,—Forward control chassis for door-to-door delivery bodies. These chassis do not have cowl.

CORBITT

Available with optional tires and axies for less G.V.W. rating.

Also available with Cummins HRBB600 and NHB-600.

DODGE

*—Front only: Rear 7.00/168.

*—Front only: Rear 8.25/168.

*—Front only: Rear 7.50/20.

*—Front only: Rear 9.00/20.

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- Other Cummins 6 cylinder engines optional.
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Model 331-OA and 331-OA LPG engines can be furnished.
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- Double reduction and 2 speed available.
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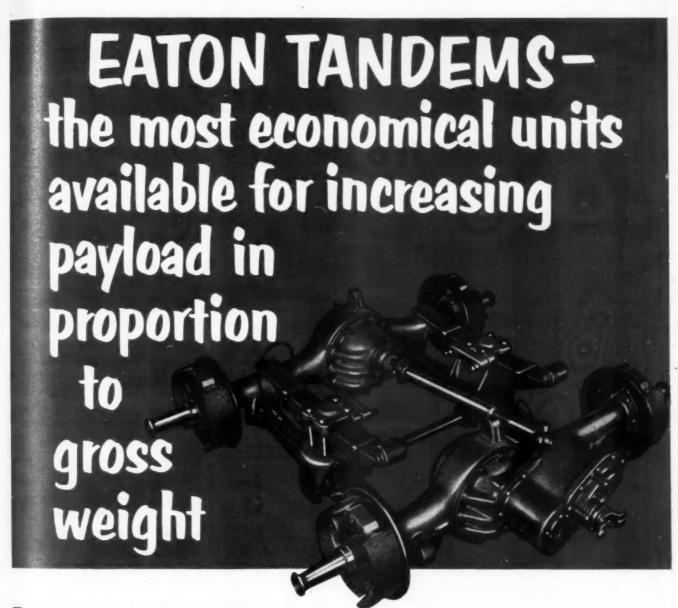
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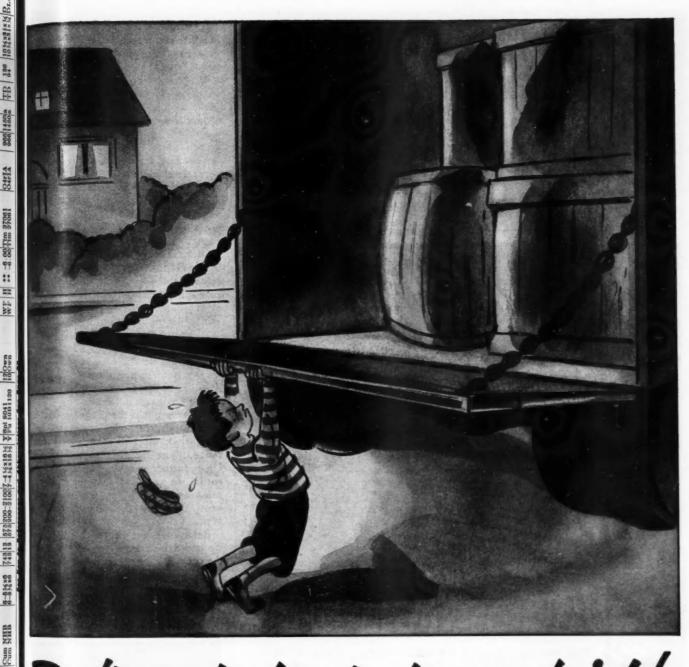
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tune-up, spark plug service, distributor and ignition coil data. The sixth card shows when the generator, voltage regulator, starter and battery were replaced. Card number seven covers engine, valves, radiator and hose replacement. Card number eight covers front end, steering gear and spring service information.

Card number nine covers the front end alignment record. Card number ten is for the clutch, transmission, differential and drive-line overhaul.

Card number eleven covers the electrical system starting with the make, the voltage, the ignition coil number; the generator number, capacity, voltage register number; starter number; battery group number; starter cable length; ground cable length; distributor number; breaker point number; point setting; timing; torque cylinder head; manifold; spark plugs; gap spark plugs; set valves—exhaust, intake; cooling system capacity; percent of antifreeze for zero; crankcase capacity, qts; summer and winter SAE; make oil filter; filter element number.

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It is the mechanic's duty who handles work on the unit to fill in the data on these cards. Before the file containing the cards is returned to its carrier box in the truck or trailer or tractor, it is the shop foreman's duty to check the cards which have been posted by the mechanic against the repair order to make sure that all operations have been reported before the vehicle leaves the shop.

Likewise, the shop foreman and the mechanic are instructed, before performing any service on a unit, to check the last mileage and the date and make a study of the general data furnished before the work is begun.

For example, if the plugs have fould prematurely, in some cases this indicates that we have the wrong heatrange plugs for that particular unit. Upon further checking of the two top cards, we may find that the engine is using an excessive amount of oil. We know then that the plugs are not at fault.

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A fleet of nane new courtesy cars has been put into operation by Pacific Intermountain Express Co., Oakland, Cal., on all sections of its routes from San Francisco and Los Angeles to St. Louis and Chicago. They are especially equipped with first-aid kits, blankets, fire-fighting equipment, flares, tow cables and other safety and repair equipment. The courtesy cars are driven by specially selected district supervisors who are responsible for seeing that the company driven operate in conformance with all highway regulations as well as company safety and courtesy rules. They also render assistance to motorists in distress along the highways.



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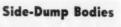




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"cry-sheet" carried a list of items for the driver to check in case of a complaint or report. Then down at the bottom there were lines ruled off for remarks. We found that the drivers were using the bottom half only. Therefore, we got up a simple form called Drivers Mechanical Report of Equipment. The drivers use these forms and they often cite a card notation in making up their "cry-sheet."

Cut Road Failures

ALL of our gas pumps and lube departments are operated by grade A mechanics. These mechanics give the unit a visual and auditory inspection while they are giving service. Each time the unit is serviced by one of these mechanics, it is the mechanic's duty to check the "cry-sheet" with the driver and also to check the cards on any serious reports on the "cry-sheet."

This mechanic has the authority to pull the unit out of line and route it to a shop when he thinks it is necessary. He also makes minor adjustments and repairs while the unit is being serviced which often prevents a lay-up. Each one of these mechanics is costing us \$38 more per week in salary than we were paying for a gas attendant and grease man. However, we are convinced that we are saving 20 times this amount of money each week in lower maintenance cost and in fewer road failures. Our road failures have been reduced 90 per cent in the past twelve months since we put in this mechanic visual and auditory inspection program.

Besides the general checks, inspections and correction of "cry-sheets" described above, we have a 2000, a 10,000, and a 20,000 mile check-up for each unit in the fleet. These check-ups follow the general procedure at most maintenance shops.

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A number of different types of starting aids have been developed and are in use today with varying degrees of success. These include heaters of both the hot air and immersion type, priming systems employing volatile fuels, fame ignition, and ether-base starting fuids. The hot air-type heater is an effective starting aid, but its use has been limited to military and certain commercial vehicles because of the expense and added maintenance of this type of device. Electric immersion-type heaters are also effective, and their use is increasing, particularly the head bolt heater, a small heater which is inserted in the engine in place of one of the cylinder head bolts and maintains coolant temperatures at relatively high levels. Their use, however, is limited to locations where electric power is readily available. An elaborate starting aid which appeared several Winters ago was a device which automatically started the engine when the coolant temperature reached a given low value. The engine would then idle until the jacket temperatures reached a predetermined high value at which time the engine would automatically be stopped. The general acceptance of this device is not known to the

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Of the various starting aids available, field experience has shown ether-base starting fluids to be the most reliable and effective. These fluids were developed as a diesel engine starting aid and are particularly suited to that service. Starting of diesel engines at temperatures below -50°F with the aid of starting fluid is not unusual in the Arctic. Similar spectacular results have been obtained in gasoline engines, although starting fluids are generally not required above -25°F. The use of starting fluids is not limited to subzero operation, as previously mentioned. Diesel engines are difficult to start at temperatures as high as 40°F, and these difficulties can be eliminated by the use of starting fluid. The affectiveness of starting fluid in eliminating these difficulties in diesel engines at relatively high ambient temperatures is shown in Fig. 1. These data were obtained in diesel engines using battery powered cranking motors, and although starting could be accomplished at much lower temperatures with the fuel used if prolonged cranking was possible, as shown in Fig. 2, the lack of availability of cranking power limits the starting tem-

perature to approximately 20°F. Ether starting fluids have also found wide application in marine service and in twocycle and other engines where starting is difficult because of design, weak batteries or poor mechanical condition.

Ether-base starting fluids can be introduced into an engine in various ways. The two most common methods of application are spraying the fluid into the manifold through the air cleaner with a hand operated spray gun, or injecting it into the manifold by a priming pump mounted in the vehicle cab. The fluid can also be applied by special carburetor although this method has not been in general use. More recently, gelatine capsules and pressurized steel bulbs of starting fluid have been developed which have improved the ease of application. In the case of the gelatine capsules, the starting (TURN TO PAGE 120 PLEASE)

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Gear Lubricants and Greases

ONCE starting has been accomplished, the major difficulty of Winter driving has been overcome. However, successful operation of the vehicel depends upon free motion of gears, wheels, and other moving parts, and this, in turn, depends upon the temperature at which the vehicle is to be operated and the viscosity of the lubricant used. If lubricants ar greases are too viscous at low temperatures, excessive drag results in poor economy and difficult driving, until working

parts reach equilibrium operating temperatures. In extreme cases, mechanical failure results from overloading of parts or from lack of lubrication due to channeling of the lubricant before operating temperatures are reached.

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Currently available gear lubricants and greases are adequate for all but the most extreme operating conditions SAE Grade 80 gear lubricants will perform satisfactorily at temperatures down to -20°F, and Grade 75 gear lubricant is usable at temperatures as low as -40°F. Chassis and wheel bearing greases are also available for these same temperature ranges. These lubricants can be used safely at much higher temperatures provided seals and other mechanical parts are in good condition. The major cause for complaint with these lubricants is excessive leakage which results when they are used with poor seals or other worn parts. Failure on the part of operators to use these winter lubricants, for fear that they will not be adequate if relatively high temperatures are encountered, is the cause of much needless difficulty. Experience has shown that these lubricants, if properly applied to vehicles in advance of extreme cold weather, will eliminate most operating problems experienced at very low temperatures and will provide adequate lubrication at high temperatures.

Winter Operating Problems

ALTHOUGH the development of winter fuels and lubricants and winterization equipment has reduced cold weather driving problems to a point where vehicle operation is possible at extreme subzero temperatures, there are several problems which occur frequently under these conditions and which are not generally recognized. Failure to recognize these problems causes difficulties which can be avoided and results in unjustified criticism of the petroleum products and machinery involved.

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One of these problems is spark plug icing, which renders ignition systems inoperative. This occurs at low temperatures after an engine has fired for several cycles during starting, but fails to continue to run. In that case, the water formed during combustion freezes on the spark plug electrodes, causing them to short. Removal of the ice from the plugs is the only solution to this difficulty, and continued attempts to start the engine when plugs are iced only results in rapid battery failure.

Oil pump screen plugging, from either ice or wax, or a combination of both, is another source of difficulty often not recognized even by experienced Arctic operators. This condition prevents oil circulation and often results in bearing failure from lack of lubrication before loss of oil pressure is noticed. Experience has shown this to be a common cause of bearing failure which operators often associate with the use of low viscosity crankcase lubricants. Again, as in the case of spark plug icing, the application of heat is the solution to the difficulty once icing has occurred. Frequent oil drains during winter operation will reduce the amount of water in the crankcase and will minimize the occurrence of oil screen icing.

A more unusual and less frequent failure is piston seizure because of liner distortion. This occurs when cold coolant from the radiator comes in contact with the cylinder liner when the thermostat opens after a long period of light load operation. When an engine is operated at low temperature under light load, the thermostat remains closed in order to maintain jacket temperature, and the coolant trapped in the radiator approaches ambient temperature. The thermostat opens if the jacket coolant temperature becomes excessive and cold water circulates around the bottom of the hot liner. If the temperature difference is large, the liner shrinks measurably at the bottom and the piston seizes at bottom dead center. Such failures are not uncommon in trucks and tractors operated in the Arctic, and in most cases the failure is blamed on faulty lubrication. The difficulty can be eliminated by the use of radiator blankets which help to maintain a more even temperature throughout the entire cooling sys. tem, or by alteration of the cooling system piping to permit circulation in the radiator at all times.

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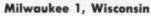




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Let's asume the engine will operate from 500 RPM idle to 3200 RPM. The belt ratio of 11/2 to 1 for the d.c. unit is the highest we can use for this drives the generator at 4800 RPM when the engine is running at top speed. Under the same condition the alternator is turning at 7200 RPM which is well below the maximum speed of this unit.

Higher ratios could be used to drive the alternator and obtain more output at idle but would require special pulley sizes, not commonly found on automotive engines. It is interesting to note that at the 500 RPM idle speed, the alternator delivers 30 amperes to the load while there is nothing available from the d.c. generating system. Full load from the a.c.-d.c. equipment occurs at 580 engine RPM and for the d.c. unit at 1270 RPM.

Load Analysis Calculations

THERE are as many electrical load problems as there are makes and models of vehicles. The following data are to illustrate the problems and the types of answers that are obtained rather than represent calculations on any particular truck. It is very difficult to estimate the average charging current which would be taken by the battery over a given cycle of operation. The ratios selected between maximum load conditions and generator rating are empirical. They provide a safety factor and capacity for charging the battery. Let's define our problem as a truck that may be operated over a 10 hour cycle under its heaviest load condition in first, intercity service and then second, heavy traffic of a big metropolis. Operational studies on trucks and busses have shown idle performance to vary from 20% for driving in the country to 60% when driving in a large city. For example, New York City has a bus route that experiences 70% idle time during each round trip. The load analysis calculations are made easiest when charted as shown in table 1. This chart was set up with the steady loads first in order to make it easy to compare the load amperes against the generator rating and illustrates how small the total load is influenced by intermittent duty devices shown in table 2. It is always difficult to estimate the percent of operational time for intermittent loads but it should be realized that considerable error may be introduced at this point without seri-

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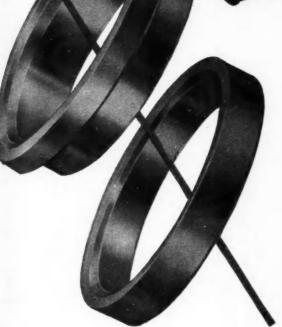
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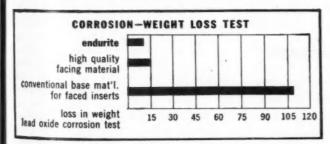
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erator operating in the country on a 10 hour cycle would develop 400 ampere hours of 320. This is more than the 316 ampere hours load requirement. The city operation with its high percentage of idle time reduces the total ampere hours generated to 200 for the d.c. generator. This would permit only 120 ampere hours load without discharging the battery. These calculations show that the d.c. generator equipped truck in city service would require several cycles of recharging the battery during winter operation. A graphical picture of the ampere hour

comparison is shown in Fig. 2. This clearly shows the excellent performance of the rectified a.c. equipment.

Weight and Relative Cost

The weight of the d.c. generator and regulator equals 47.5 pounds, this compares to 34.25 pounds for the a.c.-d.c. equipment. The trend today, towards lightweight vehicles carrying heavy pay. loads shows the alternator system to be at an advantage compared to the other equipment. Relative cost between these two systems favors the d.c. generator. At the present time, the initial cost for the a.c.-d.c. equipment is running 50% greater than the d.c. generator. This difference will decrease as production rates increase for the wide speed range rectified a.c. system. Bus applications of lightweight alternator equipment are directly competitive in cost and performance with the heavier d.c. systems.

Conclusions

The data presented illustrates the fact that the "Rule of Thumb" comparison of amperes load to generator amperes does not assure our customers of trouble-free service and fully charged batteries. It is very difficult with this type of load analysis to include any estimate of the intermittent duty loads and their influence.

The ampere hour system of load analysis includes the intermittent duty loads and the variation of performance in electrical system between idle and full load performance. Occasionally, greater accuracy may be required in analyzing the load. Under these conditions, a comparison may be made between the ampere hours discharged from the battery during shut down and starting with the 20% ampere hour safety factor in the generating system. These calculations may indicate during the design stage that a system with greater capacity is needed for trouble free service. The differences in size, weight, and initial cost are always important factors in selecting automotive electrical equipment, but these are small problems compared to the trouble borne by the operator when he has to tie up his equipment due to electrical system failure. The variation in commutation with changes in load and speed will always require several commutator resurfacing and brush replacing overhaul periods compared to one overhaul cycle for the alternator equip-

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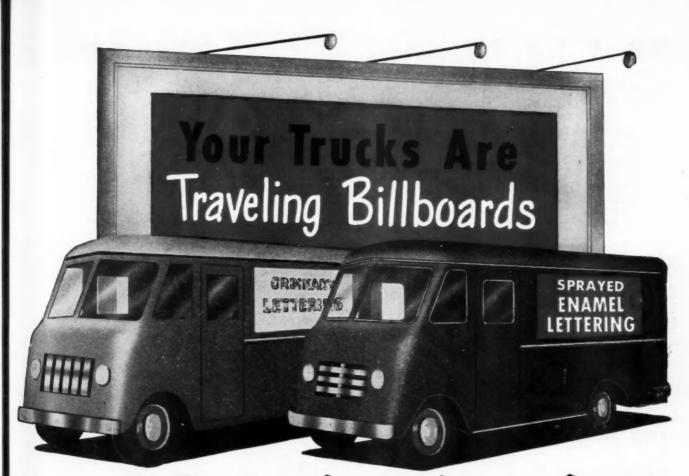
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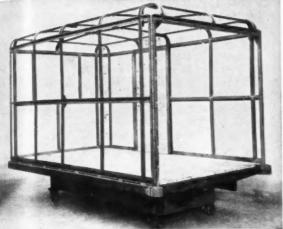
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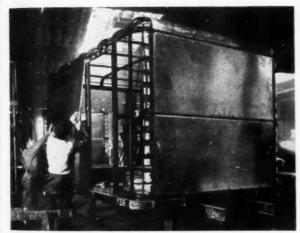
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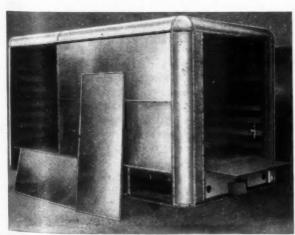
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Sturdy framework is assembled from standardized LS components to exact body size and style you need.



Accurately die-formed LS components make it possible to build tailored bodies by production line methods.



Pre-tensed LS panels give body rugged strength provide attractive, smooth exterior. If damaged, parts can be quickly replaced from outside.



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These Advantages Can Save You Money

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FUNCTIONAL DESIGN LS truck bodies are tailored to your exact needs—designed to give you maximum operating efficiency at

If damaged, LS sections can be quickly replaced from the outside—most replacement parts are stocked by LS body builders.

LS bodies have rugged durability to withstand hard wear. Many LS bodies are now on their fourth or fifth truck chassis.

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pleted the second stage of the run, ten miles, and the vehicles of the fourth and fifth classes were then finished, having covered 30 miles.

The first, second and third classes had to make a third stage by going to the Battery and back again in order to complete 40 miles. There was a compulsory stop of ten minutes between the second and third stages.

Stations for renewing water supply had been arranged along the route by the committee, and these were designated by green flags.

The classifications as laid out by the rules were as follows: First Class, to carry 750 lb; Second Class, to carry 1500 lb; Third Class, to carry 3500 lb; Fourth Class to carry 6000 lb; Fifth Class, to carry 10,000 lb; Miscellaneous Class, to carry dead load of 50 per cent of weight of vehicle.

It was the aim of the contest com-

mittee to gather data from which to calculate the operating cost of each vehicle during the contest. To this end the observers were required to record the time taken in raising a working pressure of steam from "all cold," to note the consumption of fuel, to see that the load impost was not varied, to note the exact time of start and finish, the duration and purpose of stops, to note the steam pressure at stops and the condition of the fire, where coal or coke was used. The medal awards were then made according to the performance of the units.

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Competition Ups Lift Truck Safety

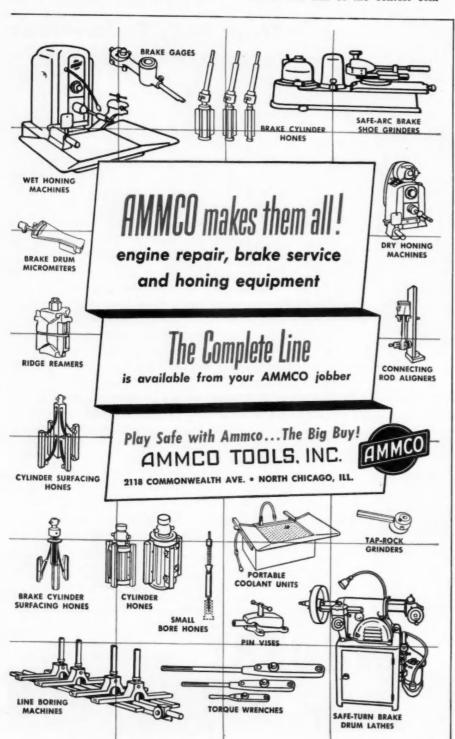
HERE are the detail of an unique fork lift truck driver competition that has spelled increased safety at American Finishing Co., Memphis, Tenn. It has also been responsible for decreased operating costs and equipment maintenance charges.

Each truck is assigned to a certain driver. If he is caught handling his equipment in a rough manner, or damaging material with his equipment, he is warned. The second offense means a one-day layoff. The third offense demands a one-week layoff. The fourth offense automatically calls for discharge. The second or third could conceivably call for discharge, if the extent of the damage or the employee's attitude warranted it.

When the company receives a new truck, the selection of the driver is contingent upon his safety record and his cost record of truck operation. In assigning the new equipment to the driver, the company points out the reasons for his selection.

Proof of the success of the operation: competition is so keen for a truck job, that it takes five years to become eligible.

Operators are enthusiastic about the competition, and the company finds costs have tumbled. For example: the cost of operation of a single truck for an entire year, including amortized cost of the truck, is only \$1,358.94. In addition, it must be realized that this equipment runs in some departments during three 8-hour shifts, bringing down the average cost to \$452.98 for one year for one 8-hour shift per day.



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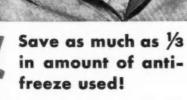
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Reasons why pre-mixed Du Pont "ZERONE" or "ZEREX" anti-freeze cuts cost, saves you time





"A large part of our fleet runs at night, and at several of our smaller terminals we do not have service attendants. Therefore, we have to rely on drivers servicing their own equipment; with pre-mixed Du Pont antifreeze we know they are safe and have uniform protection. Also, we have saved as much as 1/3 in the amount used." John Buckley, Shop Foreman, Melvin Trucking Co., Peoria, Illinois.



Eliminates use of time-consuming hydrometer check!

"We find that pre-mixed Du Pont anti-freeze saves a lot of guesswork, saves waste of anti-freeze. Pre-mixing also saves time by eliminating use of hydrometer for continual checkingwhen coolant level drops, we merely add pre-mixed Du Pont anti-freeze. Savings in anti-freeze are effected, as it is not necessary to 'overprotect' the cooling system." Christian A. Oswald, Maintenance Supervisor, Peter P. Ellis Co., Detroit, Michigan.



3, anti-freezes are **Pre-mixed Du Pont** great time savers money savers, too.

"'Zerone' and 'Zerex' are used for winter protection of all our 2,000 trucks. They give complete protection against rust and corrosion. Premixed Du Pont 'Zerone' or 'Zerex' anti-freeze are great time saversmoney savers, too. Tests with the hydrometer are done away with." Harvey H. Earl, Superintendent of Motor Equipment, United Parcel Service, New York, N. Y.

This is what pre-mixing is... Both "Zerone" or "Zerex" mix completely with water in all proportions. Since their special Du Pont chemical rust inhibitor won't separate from the solution while standing, you can make up a pre-mix of properly proportioned solution of each, and keep it constantly on hand to replace cooling system losses. Actual tests prove that such losses are of the anti-freeze and water solution, not anti-freeze alone. Losses should not be replaced with concentrated anti-freeze. With a pre-mixed solution, anti-freeze needs can be gauged exactly costly overprotection is avoided.



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The Warner Electric Brake

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An interchange panel makes it possible to use electric brakes on trailers in a fleet without equipping all tractors with electric brake controllers. Air—or vacuum—actuated controllers are mounted together with a quick release valve in trailer electric brake circuit. Air or vacuum power is received from

tractor through normal trailer couplings.

This brake is presently available (optional equipment) or any make trailer. Because it is adaptable to standard axles, wheels and hubs it may very simply be installed on existing equipment. Installation of brakes, controll-

ers and wiring can be done by any mechanic in a short period of time. Because of the armature mounting in the drum, replacement with electric brake drums is required in conversion. One method of converting a fleet uses an interline panel which is mounted on the trailer. The electric trailer brakes are synchronized with the air brakes through the air control equipment on the tractor. Thus there is no driver training problem as operation is identical to that of an air brake equipped trailer.

Advantage of the electric brake installation is given as this:

- 1. Synchronized operation of trailer brakes with those of tractor.
- Elimination of time lag between actuation of tractor brakes and brakes of the trailer, due to faster and more controllable response of electricity over air or fluid.
- 3. The double safety of two independent braking systems.
- 4. Danger of depleting the air supply over long periods of braking is reduced to a minimum because the use of air-actuated electric brakes requires for the entire tractor trailer unit only about one-fifth the amount of air required to actuate straight air brakes on both tractor and trailer.
- 5. Reduced service and maintenance. There is no adjustment on the electric brake. Inspection periods, however, should be set up on a similar mileage basis in the interest of safe operation.

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"Have you seen Harry? He's coming as a garage mechanic!"

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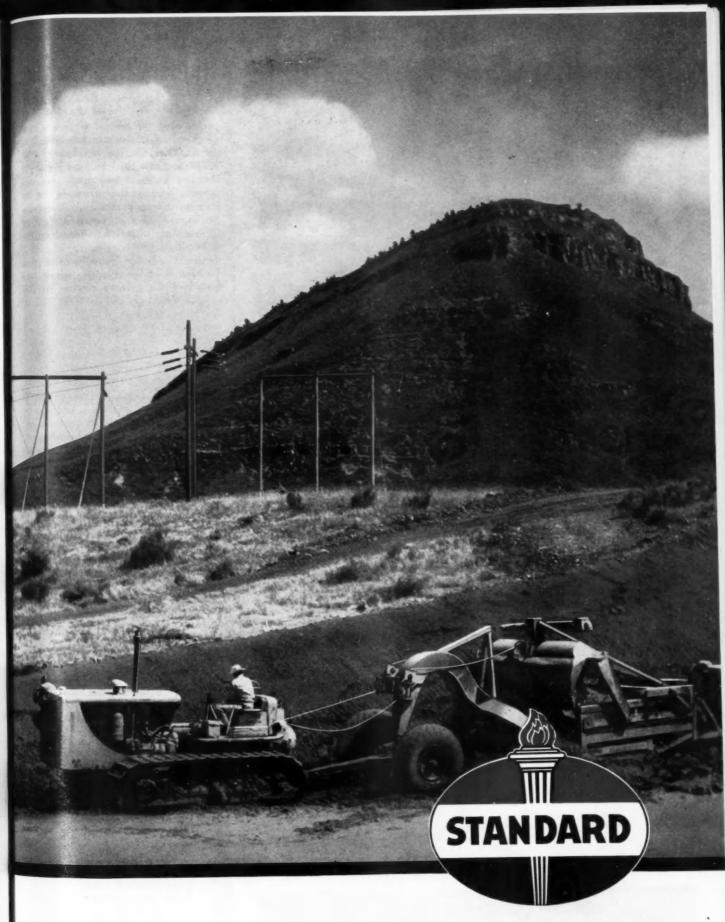
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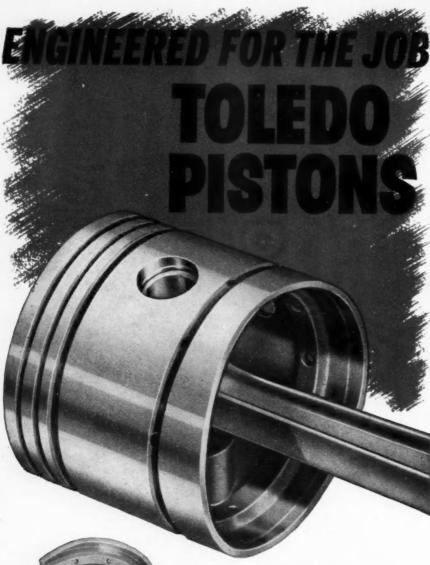
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penter shop for ease of materials handling. Iron angles are introduced to act as rails for the fibreboard trays which are now used to load loaves of bread. The improvements reduced driver's loading time from 3/4 of an hour to 5 min per truck. Moreover, customers find that bread arrives in fresher state with this unit-load system of handling.

Another device conceived in this Wonder Bakeries' garage, which has simplified the driver's routine, is the special type of sliding door which operates without ball bearings. Drivers found that ball bearings often created hardships in Montreal's frosty temperatures. Frost-stuck doors became difficult to budge and a driver would report in worn out at the end of the day.

Wonder's solution involves a piece of steel channel used as a slide plate about 1 in. wide by 3/16 in. thick by 24 in. in length. Along this channel runs a simple arm fastened to the door. The arm is about 2 in. wide shaped from ½-in. thick flat iron. For year-round smooth operation of the doors, all that is needed is grease in the base of the channel once a month.

Two fully-equipped spray booths keep the light-colored trucks with the 3-dimension bread illustration looking gleamingly new. A highlight of the paint chambers is their efficient exhaust system. It pays to invest in a good, large exhauster that pulls the fumes out so fast they can't do any harm. A man can spray in these booths without wearing a mask.

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To its basic program of driver selection, testing and training Automobile Shippers, Inc., Detroit, has added bi-weekly Safety Breakfasts as a means of continually stressing safe driving practices. Since the program began in 1947 the company has reduced its accident rate by almost 90 per cent.

The breakfast meetings are held every other Monday. Most of the drivers attend, although the meetings are



not compulsory. Household appliances are given as door prizes to attract the attention and support of the drivers' wives.

The idea of the meetings stemmed from the company's desire for a medium to establish contact with drivers and meet them on a common ground. At the same time they have been found to serve as a useful means of continual safety instruction. Each session includes a talk or film followed by a discussion period during which the drivers are encouraged to state their own opinions.

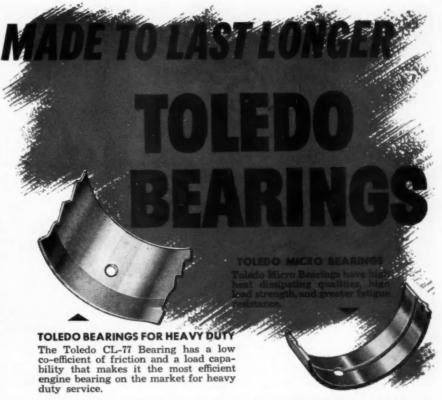
Here's how the program has paid off: In 1947 the company had an accident rate of 3.58 accidents per 100,000 vehicle miles of travel. By 1951 the rate had dropped to .71 and in 1952 it was further lowered to .396 to lead the



15 companies in the National Automobile Transporters Association. In May of 1952 the drivers recorded 26 days and 1,180,664 miles without an accident to establish a new record of safe driving within the company.

Approximately 300 drivers cover 11/2 million miles per month for the company.

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REPLACE BEARINGS BY THE SET

To be sure of eliminating bearing and oil pumping troubles, engine bearings should be replaced by the set. To be doubly sure, replace with Toledo bearing sets. They are the same as used by many engine manufacturers for original equipment.



Fleet Training Courses

FLEET training courses have shown themselves to be a cost cutting way in obtaining the trained men needed in truck and bus fleet operation. Here is a list of such courses scheduled throughout the United States. Additional listings are welcome.

OCTOBER

12-16—Course for Trainers of Commercial Drivers, Institute of Public Safety, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.

NOVEMBER

- 2- 6—Motor Fleet Supervisor Training Course, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.
- 2- 6-Course for Trainers of Commercial Drivers, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.
 - 9—Top Management Conference for Owners and Senior Executives of Motor Fleets, Institute of Public Safety, Pennsylvania State College, Philadelphia, Pa.
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- 16-20—Motor Fleet Supervisor Training Course, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

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Water in the oil is the chief cause of sludge, most important source of engine operating difficulties. Water in the oil is the source of corrosive crankcase acids, a major cause of engine wear.

Walker Oil Filters are recommended for "Operation MS" (Most Severe) because they remove solid contaminants from the oil . . . and water, too. Walker patented Laminar construction takes out dust, dirt and abrasives through famous 3-way filtration. And the exclusive Laminar filtering material selectively removes water from the oil . . . helps keep the moisture content below the critical "sludge danger ing the acids contained in the water removed from the oil.

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speed of any mechanic. With it, series of nuts found on heads or pans can be removed or installed in a fraction of the time necessary for standard hand tools and with no effort or fatigue on the part of the operator. Special attachments are available to handle either slotted or Phillips screws. The versatility of the tool continues for stud

pulling and replacement, driving gear pullers, hole sawing, drilling, etc. After a certain torque is reached the rotary action of the heavy duty motor is transferred through the impact mechanism to sharp, powerful blows at the drive spindle. The blows become heavier as the torque increases, thus, the larger the nut—the heavier turning impact it receives. It delivers up to 2000 of these powerful rotary blows per minute. Forward or reverse action with or without the motor running is obtained by twisting the end cap.

P23. Jack Holder

W. J. Products
Co., Oklahoma
City, Okla., has
just announced a
jack holder designed to be padlocked thus holding the jack securely and safely.



It holds the jack in an upright position to prevent loss of hydraulic fluid and can be mounted inside or outside the cab. Constructed of steel, the top of the holder is adjustable for different height jacks and will fit any 5, 8, 10, or 12-ton and most 20 ton jacks.

P24. Timing Light

A new combination power timing light that operates on both 6 and 12-volt circuits is now being marketed by Auto-Test, Inc., Chicago. It contains a built-in voltage selector that automatically adjusts itself to battery input. The improved model also permits high-speed testing of engines up to 2500 rpm, without affecting engine operation.

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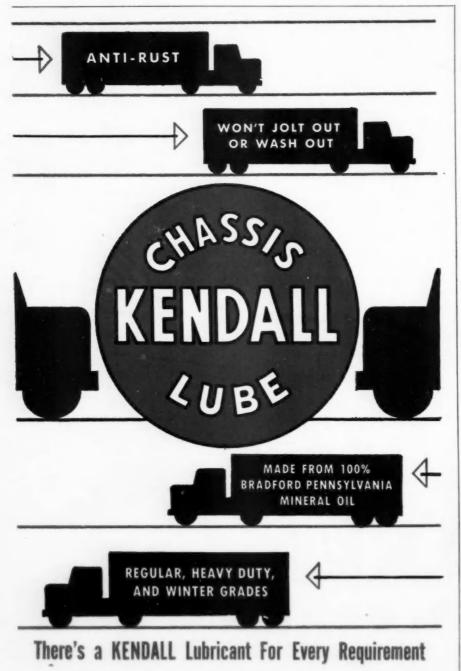
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Elevating Side-Gate



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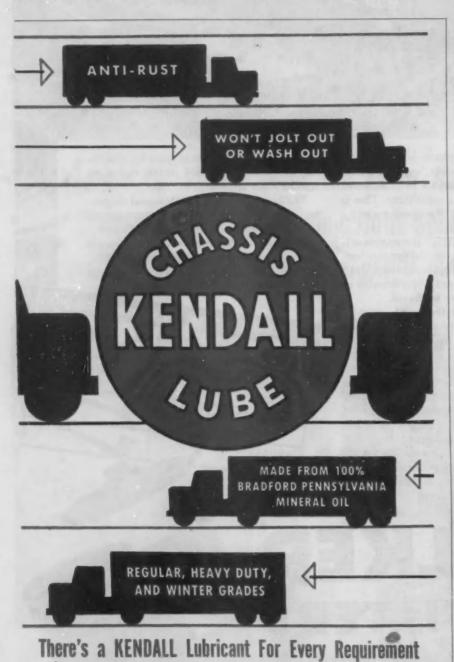
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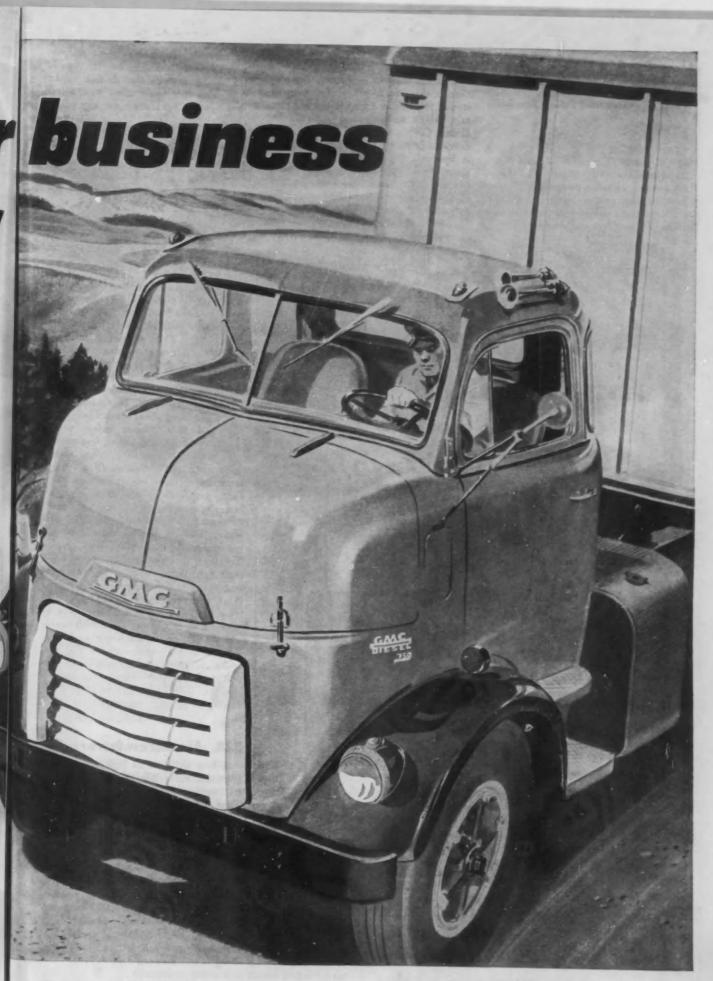
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state of charge, the individual cell condition, and the cell voltage. A large, easy-to-read expanded scale voltmeter shows whether or not charge is needed, and indicates if the battery has a weak cell, or is worn out and needs replacement.

P26. Truck Derrick

A truck-mounted, power operated derrick that can be set up for work or stowed away by one man in two to three min is the newest product of J. H. Holan Corp., Cleveland, Ohio. The derrick, designated as Series No. 3100, is hydraulically positioned. It is designed to be permanently mounted on top of a utility body. Working capacity of the derrick is from 3000 lb. fully extended to 7000 lb in the short reach position. With the third leg on the ground a 10,000 lb straight pull can

be exerted. There also is an adapter arrangement available for the center leg which permits the derrick to be used with live boom effect to the full rated capacity through an arc of 70 deg.

P27. Cargo Heater

An automatic cargo heater conforming to the latest ICC regulations for trailers and trucks which burns methyl alcohol has been announced by



Preco, Inc., Los Angeles, Cal. It produces up to 6000 BTU per hour and burns for 50 hours on full flame. It can be instantly set to control temperatures from 30 to 60 deg F irrespective of altitude or atmospheric pressure. Construction of the heater provides protection in the event it is damaged or overturned. It is explosion-proof and fully weatherproofed, being unaffected by wind, rain, sleet or snow. It is equipped with tip-over safety valves that prevent any leakage of fuel should the heater be tipped 30 deg and at the same time an automatic CO2 system instantly extinguishes the flame. The heater burns methyl alcohol which eliminates the dangers of gas or fumes detrimental to perishable loads or humans. Venting to the outside is unnecessary. A spun glass wick draws fuel from the tank and in operation a pilot light burns constantly. A thermostat controls the temperature desired. It is equipped with a readable dial type fuel gauge. The heater is constructed of reinforced steel with stainless steel used in all parts where resistance to high temperatures and corrosion is essential. Spring hooks are used to fasten the heater in the desired location. Overall height is 24 in.; diameter 15½ in.; empty weight 38½

P28. Air Screwdrivers

A new series of 24 light-weight, airoperated, reversible screw drivers and nut setters has been announced by Thor Power Tool Company, Aurora, Ill. They feature reversible motors to permit the tool's use for removing threaded fasteners as well as applying them. Available in four basic speeds, ranging from 475 to 2000 rpm, each is offered with either slip clutch (for exacting tension control) or positive clutch (manual control). Lever throttle or pistol type throttle is offered for all types. Eight additional models feature a 25 per cent slip clutch drive. (TURN TO PAGE 150, PLEASE)

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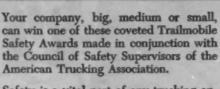
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P29. Air Sander

The Lintern Corporation, Painesville, Ohio, announce a new Model No. 53-A air traction sander for trucks and buses. Features include reduced weight, simplified installation, completely sealed mechanism, dehydrator (eliminating moisture condensation), neoprene gaskets, we ather splash

guard, and the availability of a new lightweight traction grit. It is air valve operated.

P30. Truck Crane

A new highly-mobile truck-crane, designated as the Model No. 80 has been introduced by Pitman Mfg. Co., Kansas City, Mo. Capacity up to four tons on a 25-ft. boom, with additional boom lengths up to 59 ft are features of the new crane, which is designed for installation on trucks 21/2 tons or larger. Standard boom length is 25 ft. Inserts are available for additional boom lengths of 37, 48, and 59 ft. Maximum ratings for these boom lengths are; 25 ft-8000 lb, 37 ft—6000 lb, 48 ft—3000 lb and 59 ft—1000 lb. The 25 and 37-ft booms are hinged on the side and can be folded and unfolded like a carpenter's rules.

P31. Battery Charger

Six individual cell meters make possible breakdown tests of both 6 and 12volt batteries in a combination battery charger and tester announced by Quick Charge, Inc., Oklahoma City, Okla. This new charger is available in three models. The model shown is No. Q-350. It may be used as a slow charger, gang charger or quick charger, weighs 160 lb, is 16 in. wide, 16 in. deep, and 36 in. high.

P32. Fifth Wheel

Bartlett Trailer Corp., Chicago, has announced the development of a special new hydraulic lifting fifth wheel to be used by machinery movers, excavating machinery movers, road builders, house movers, and tractor delivery



companies. It lifts 24 in. above bed level and can lift 60,000 lb. It provides many conveniences such as loading and unloading on conveyor type floors both drum and pallet skids, roll paper for rolling on or rolling off, certain type aggregates, grain and heavy liquids. This model is not recommended for spotting as it would srike dock canopies when lifted.

P33. Degreaser

"Petisol 404 degreaser concentrate," a new formulation for the removal of grease and grime from metal parts, engines, truck and bus bodies, chassis, concrete floors, etc., is now available. Manufactured by Petroleum Solvents Corp., New York City, Petisol 404 is supplied in concentrated form and is diluted by the ultimate user with readily obtainable, inexpensive mineral (TURN TO PAGE 153, PLEASE)

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spirits. It is a clear liquid and does not become thick or tacky in colder weather. In proper dilutions it is used in agitating tanks, recirculating machines, water ejectors or straight tip operations, as well as brush or spray application.

P34. Transit Paints

McDougall-Butler Co., Inc., Buffalo, N. Y., has announced a revision of its "Hardcote Automotive" finishes. These products have been reformulated for modern spray methods of application by commercial and bus fleets. Twentyfour standard colors are now available in the revised line, which can be taped in five hours and which is suited for 'hot-spray' application. The product name has been changed to "Hardcote Transit Finishes."

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Aluminum chain is now being produced by Bison Metals, Buffalo, N. Y. The new chain is light, strong and



enduring. It has 1/3 the weight of iron and is comparatively strong. It needs no painting and will not rust. It is produced in standard sizes. Various types are illustrated above.

P36. Hydraulic Tailgate

A new and improved hydraulic-powered, elevating truck tailgate is now available from The Heil Co., Milwaukee, Wis. The all-hydraulic unit can be mounted on any truck and can lift a maximum 2000 lb payload. Two platforms are available for the unit; a ramp type, and platform, or square edge type. The gate floor is corrugated for greater load capacity and to prevent floor sag. All hydraulic mechanism is mounted to clear the axle housing with no loss of ground clearance. Load bearing points utilize bronze bearings with high pressure lubrication fittings. A power take-off on the truck mechanism provides the hydraulic (TURN TO PAGE 154, PLEASE)

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pump with power. When the gate is operated on a semi-trailer uncoupled from the tractor, an electric motor or gasoline driven power pack can be used to supply power. The new elevating truck tailgate can be opened and lowered manually. Overall dimensions in inches are 84 x 28 to 90 x 52. The approximate weight of the unit on the rear of a truck is 725 lb; 850 lb total weight.

P37. Signal Lamps

New large, heavy-duty, face-mounted stop and turn signal lamps designed to make them vapor and explosionproof have been announced by Betts Machine Co., Warren, Pa. Named the Warren Snap Seal No. B-70 lamps, they meet or exceed SAE recommended procedure, ICC and state requirements. Plastic lens is held bubble-tight within a cast aluminum alloy body which is also a superior reflector. Lenses are available in red, amber, green and clear colors.

P38. Connector Adapters

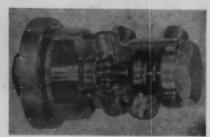
The Cole-Hersee Co., Boston, Mass., has introduced a series of four trailer connector adapters to take care of all trucks and trailers wired to standard coding. Specially designed to save the time and trouble involved in makeshift jumpers or the tracing of electrical circuits, these four adapters make the following pole plug to pole socket conversions: No. 11011 to No. 11017, No. 11012 to No. 11014, thus making trailers and tractors interchangeable on a broader scale.

P39. Heating Panels

Production of heat directing side panels for use with the Model No. PW-189 Fageol Heat Machine is announced by the Fageol Heat Machine Co., Detroit. Made of heavy sheet steel, the panels cover heat outlet openings of the portable heater and can be used singly or in pairs to direct heat as desired. The new side panels permit use where concentration of its 189,000 btu in one direction is required. Ordinarily the machine sprays out heat in three directions just above the floor.

P40. Drain Valve

Graham-White Mfg. Co., Salem, Va., has started production of its new automatic drain valve for compressed air



equipment on trucks and buses. The valve automatically rids air reservoirs and lines of harmful accumulations of sludge, scale, oil and water. One valve is standard for all sizes and types of compressors.

P41. Towing Hitch

Manley Division, American Chain & Cable Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., announces the marketing of the Manley Heavy Duty Towing Hitch No. 2209. It features telescoping, shock-absorbing tubular steel arms that allow hook-up at any angle, complete turning safety (wrecker and towed vehicle cannot touch), automatic load centering, fully controlled back-up operation and regular brake application at open highway speeds.

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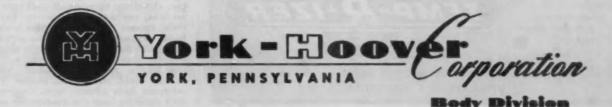
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Is Speed the Real Villain?

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whether faster or slower, tends to cause situations which may lead to accidents, if and when something is done to help cause an accident.

Desperately needed in the accident prevention effort is better determination of those things done wrongly or unsafely—whatever the speeds—which cause accidents. Part of the universal quarantine on speed may be lifted if and when we identify the failures and inoculate with knowledge against the real accident causes: Following too closely, changing course suddenly without checking and failure to signal intent, wrong technique for getting back

onto pavements, overdriving headlights, overloading brakes, fatigue, inattention—and all those specific unsafe acts which when committed at any speed, may become accidents—and at higher speeds especially bad ones.

On this then we may agree speed definitely determines the severity of the accident-even though it may not directly cause it. Most persons have not been taught-some are actually incapable-to drive safely at high speedsif for no other reason than the fact they are at the mercy of all other drivers. Unless this principle is clearly understood by the fleet supervisor, a dangerous misconception may be generated, extending down to the operator himself. Until we attack the specific driving failures causing our accidents, we will continue to cluck our tongues depreciatingly at "speeders," impose harsher and often unreasonable speed limits, have police hiding behind billboards seeking quarry whose sole sin is going faster than their brethren, install governors on our vehicles to limit top speeds, and keep alive the ignorance and conditions which father such familiar phrases as "Sunday driver, hot rod, flying low, eager beaver, and souped up jobs."

It is time that we admit there is no real safety in slowness, per se.

Once we have cleared our vision we can identify the specific causes and then teach our drivers how to cope with them.

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Salesmen for the Theo. Hamm Brewing Co., St. Paul, Minn., carry an emergency kit to meet any eventualities the weather man might concoct that should interest northern-fleet operators. The emergency kit includes: Canned beef, sausage and beans and liquid chocolate, all of which heats itself just by adding water, is ready to eat in ten minutes; two chocolate bars, small packages of cookies, package of eigarettes, knife, fork, spoon, can opener. plastic cup, hand warmer, box of waterproof matches, flashlight and eye shield. Packed separately are flares, a first aid kit, a fire extinguisher, hand warmer fluid, shovel and chains. The salesmen have already been equipped with sleeping bags for emergency use.

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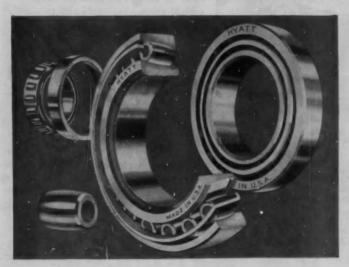
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Gemmer Announces Linkage-Type Power Steering Unit

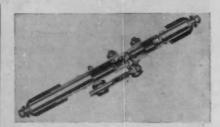
GEMMER MFG. CO. has announced a new linkage type power steering unit. The new model, known as the "Hydraguide Linkage Unit," will not supersede the maker's integral "Hydraguide," but is designed for use in those installations where a front end linkage unit is needed. It will be built in at the factory on vehicles for which it is adopted. Some of the features claimed for the new unit are:

1. Performance equal to the integral "Hydraguide."

2. Valve free of forces other than those needed to actuate it.

3. Balanced power piston areas—no unbalanced forces to drift the car from the desired course.

4. Piston rods and cylinder of exceptionally rugged construction to avoid damage. This is extremely important, as a front end unit is necessarily in an exposed position. The unit also has special protection against front end shocks.



As shown above, the unit operates from the pitman arm of the conventional steering gear. The valve system is at the middle. The piston rods are fixed to the vehicle frame, and the cylinder and valve system move right or left as pressure oil is admitted to the respective ends. Pressure oil is supplied by a pump driven by the engine.

The hydraulic circuit provides for steering safety. The front wheels cannot swerve when striking an obstruction, a soft shoulder, or from a flat tire, and they are fully self-righting after a turn. In case of oil pressure failure, the system reverts automatically to manual steering.

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Fig. 9. Radiator Flusher

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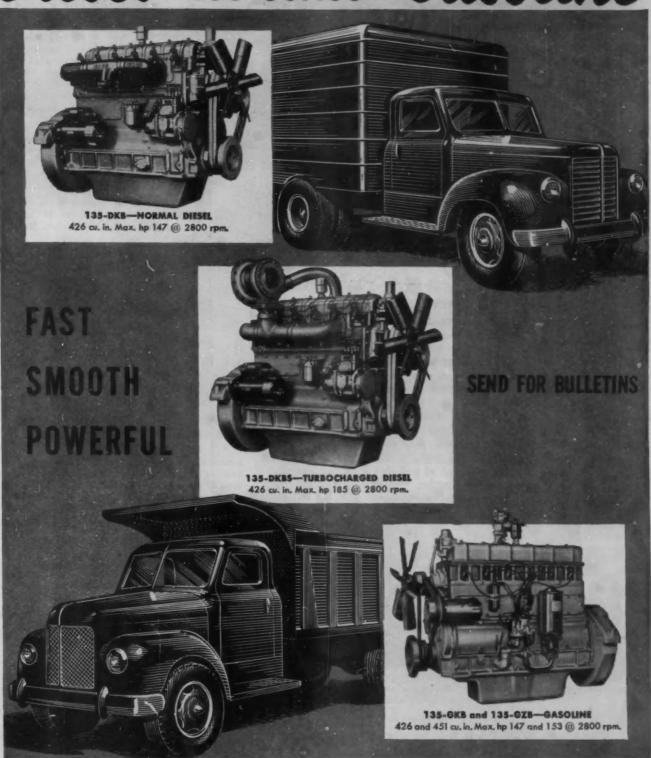
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Motor carriers equipped to transport frozen foods are listed in a newly published directory. Names and addresses of 185 carriers are included together with information on equipment, scope of operation, insurance, etc. Copies are available at \$5.00 each from National Asen. of Frozen Food Packers, 1415 K St., N.W., Washington 5, D. C.

Locknuts, and a special adaption called "Studloc" for locking tappet adjusting screws, cylinder head studs, housing covers and flange studs, are described and well illustrated in an 8-page folder available from Security Locknut Corp., North and 15th Avenues, Melrose Park, Ill.

Gasoline dispensing pumps for fleet terminals are covered with complete specifications in a six-page folder you can get from Johnston Pump Co., 3272 East Foothill Blvd., Pasadena 19, Cal.

Oil filter specification sheet for all 1953 trucks and buses can be had by writing Purolator Products, Inc., Rahway. N. J.

Gasoline engines built by its Fageol Products division are described in a new bulletin, No. L-7696, you can get by writing Twin Coach Co., Kent, Ohio.

Shop machine models built to a scale of % in. to 1 ft that are available to aid in shop layout and planning are described in Bulletin No. 5301 just published by South Bend Lathe, South Bend 22, Ind.

Brake service manual just issued by Grey-Rock Division, Raybestos-Manhattan, Manheim, Pa., is the 10th edition of this manual. The truck and bus section has been revised and expanded to include latest data. Copies are available from the company at \$2.50 each.

Engine pre-heaters are described in a brief folder available from Kim Hotstart Mfg. Co., West 917 Broadway, Spokane 1, Wash. Full specifications and advantages are given for fleet use in cold weather starting.

Tire, battery and accessory replacement data for light trucks from 1941 to 1953 are given in a quick reference chart available by writing United States Rubber Co., Rockefeller Center, New York 20, N. Y.

"Accident Facts," National Safety Council's statistical annual on motor vehicle as well as industrial and shop accidents, is just off the press. You can obtain copies of this 96-page accident fact reference book at 75¢ each from National Safety Council, 425 North Michigan Ave.. Chicago 11, Ill. Reduced prices are available for quantity orders.

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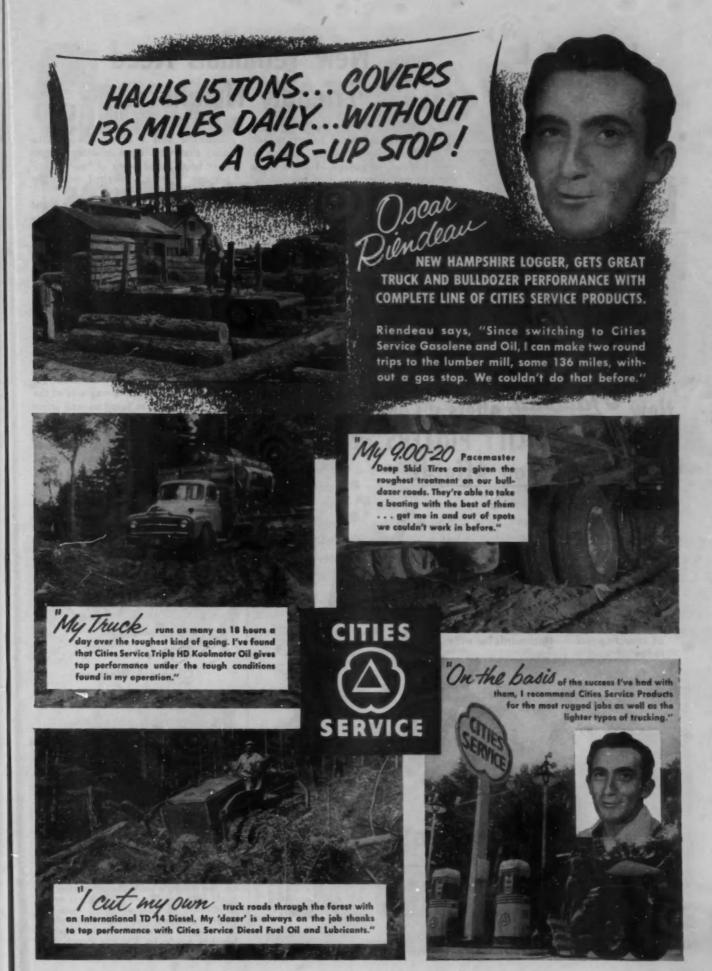
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New Terminals Need Friendly Neighbors

FEW truck operators bother to ask their neighbors before opening a new terminal or garage. Usually their lawyer makes certain that everything is legal, all licenses in order and zoning permits obtained; unfortunately that isn't enough. Within the past few

months a half a dozen new installations that were legal in every respect have been closed down as "nuisances," because nobody consulted with the neighbors before moving.

With modern traffic conditions and the trend toward decentralization many fleets are establishing garages, docks, and terminals in new locations, often outside established business districts. Such activities mean that trucks are coming and going at all hours, there is noise and dust and if this disturbs the sleep of some of the neighbors they can make a great deal of trouble.

How It Works

A NEW JERSEY feed company built a new warehouse in an area that was very much on the wrong side of the tracks; there were factories and other warehouses in the area, it was zoned for industry and seemed a natural place for it, but the tenants of a tenement across the street from the new building didn't think so and got an injunction. The judge said that the fact that there were other businesses in the area made no difference as no one had complained about them, and the fact that the complainants lived in crowded slum quarters might only make the nuisance more unbearable. The injunction provided that loading and unloading could be carried on only at certain hours and that special precautions be taken to control dust.

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Contract Washing



Mobil Clean, a contract washing service for fleets in the Detroit area, is located at 1513 Michigan Blvd., Lincoln Park, Mich. Using a former Army tank truck, Mobil Clean cleans vehicles on the owner's lot without moving vehicle to a wash rack. Tank on truck is divided in half carrying both detergent solution and clean water rinse. Washing is done with Laco fountain brushes made by Laitner Brush Co., Detroit.

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(WHEN FACTORY REQUIREMENTS ARE ONLY .004)

Because Portable Cutting Tools Aren't Accurate!



When the cutter is fed down, the foot will lift slightly even on the best equipment. If the bolt through the Holdown Foot is close to the fulcrum, a fairly accurate hole is made. The hole becomes larger and tapered when the bolt is moved farther from the fulcrum.

In use, the bolt position may change two or three times on the same cylinder head or block, and holes may vary from .001 to .006. This means that press fit interference varies from .002 to .010. The result is excessive press fit, which causes valve port cracks and distorted, cocked seats, which causes valve burning and breakage.



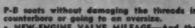
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Legal Corner

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In Kansas a contractor rented a field for his trucks, repair equipment, and supplies and to use as a depot during an extended construction job. He had been in operation only a few weeks when a farmer next door got an injunction that ended that field's usefulness for a truck depot. Fortunately the fleet investment was not high but the delay caused by the move was expen-

The rule of law that makes trouble here is that if a business seriously disturbs the adjacent premises it can be stopped. The most celebrated use of the rule was around Pittsburgh when the steel mills first began to burn a finely powdered coal that ruined the curtains of all the housewives in the valley. A series of dramatic and expensive lawsuits were fought before the steel industry got permission to operate all the mills it built in the valley. The rule still means that if an occupant, either owner or tenant, can prove that a terminal, garage, or whatever is a nuisance, he can get an injunction.

When a new business first appears in a residential area, it is most vulnerable to this kind of attack. The rule is completely outside zoning and every case is decided on its own facts. If the neighbors can convince the judge that the new terminal is a threat to neighborhood peace he can and often does issue an injunction either stopping the operation entirely or curtailing it. Truckers don't lose all these cases; judges often decide that the disturbance isn't serious, or that the terminal or garage is too important to close down, or that the neighborhood is already so industrial that a few trucks can't change it.

The safe thing is to do a little checking before decentralizing. A few hours talking to neighbors can save weeks of trouble later. If a lease is being taken, get a covenant from the landlord that makes him responsible for the neigh-

Tennessee Mountaineer: "I shore wish I had my wife back."

Transient Truck Driver: "Where is she?

Tennessee Mountaineer: "I swapped her off for a jug of corn juice."

Truck Driver: "Beginning to miss her,

Mountaineer: "Nope. I'm jist thirsty

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Fatigue Costs Money and Time

A "TIRED" employee is inefficient. If he's a mechanic, his tiredness may result in a slowdown of his work, or less accuracy in his job. If he's a driver, and dozes at the wheel, it could be fatal. If he's a supervisor, and his tiredness causes him to be irritable with

his staff it can result in a serious personnel problem.

"Industrial fatigue" is a complicated subject. Its causes range from the simple, such as lack of sleep, to the complex, such as the effect of the weather. And, although much research has been

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done on the subject, there are still many questions left unanswered.

For some people there are certain days which might better be spent in bed. They wake up cranky, can't seem to get organized, can't relax, and, although they don't feel sick, they do feel awfully tired. These are the people who are sensitive to the weather. Scientists are still not sure why, but they have been able to decide that the weather conditions are the cause, since a change in conditions causes the person to return to normal.

Boredom is another cause of fatigue. The Fatigue Laboratory at Harvard University in a ten-year investigation found that boredom definitely decreases efficiency and that unskilled work is on the whole more fatiguing than skilled work, since it doesn't occupy the worker's mind. Safety officials have applied this finding to the case of truck drivers, claiming that a driver is more inclined to doze at the wheel on a long stretch of straight road, than on a route which requires constant attention to curves, hills, etc.

Food and Fatigue

EATING habits can be important clues to the causes of fatigue. The right kind of food in the proper amounts is necessary to prevent fatigue. Many a tired driver has found that he feels much better after switching from a quick breakfast of coffee and toast to one which includes milk, butter, cereal, jam and egg. But at lunch, while nourishment is needed, the meal must not be too heavy or it will cause drowsiness in the afternoon.

Poor digestion can also result in a tired feeling. Its effect is the same as if (TURN TO PAGE 172, PLEASE)

Right Hand Drive



For mail and light deliveries, Willys Motors, Inc., Toledo, Ohio, has come up with a Jeep-like vehicle that features right side steering. The unit uses conventional two wheel drive, does not have the famous Jeep four-wheel drive. It is also available with left-hand drive. It is powered by the 72 hp, 4-cyl, "Hurricane" engine. There is a full length rear door.

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STUDEBAKER TRUCKS



Lloyd LaGrow, Superintendent of Maintenance for Burlington Truck Lines Inc. describes his first-hand experience with ASF Safety 5th Wheels.

32' tandem, one of a fleet of 200 semi's operated by Burlington Truck Lines Inc. out of Galesburg, Illinois. In addition to the smoother riding of ASF Safety 5th Wheels, Burlington drivers like the easy-to-reach location of the locking handle, at the side of the wheel... and the safety latch that can be released with a flip of the thumb.

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There's just no topping the performance of an ASF Safety 5th Wheel on the road, according to Lloyd LaGrow, Maintenance Superintendent at Burlington Truck Lines Inc. in Galesburg, Illinois: He says:

"Our semi's run smoother with ASF Safety 5th Wheels. Burlington drivers can tell the difference without looking, just by the way the semi handles. Your king-pin jaw is backed up with a rubber block, which acts as a shock absorber.

"The same block also gives us complete freedom from slack. That's important, because even a little slack causes wear, which causes more slack, and so on.

"Smoother operation and lower maintenance costs are the reasons why we certainly expect to continue using ASF Safety 5th Wheels as more tractors are added to the Burlington fleet."

Smoother operation of any equipment is bound to result in lower maintenance costs. That's particularly true

of 5th wheels, as Mr. LaGrow points out. Other fleet operators may give you other reasons why they standardize on ASF wheels::: but the fact remains that once they use these wheels, they're seldom satisfied with a substitute.

Just to satisfy your own curiosity, install an ASF 5th Wheel on one of your tractors. You don't need to keep it under a microscope to tell the difference! See your nearest ASF Distributor, or write to American Steel Foundries, Automotive Division, 410 North Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

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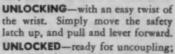
LOCKED—and the jaws remain under compression. The grip is like a vise; eliminates the slack and backlash that can cost you money in added 5th wheel and king-pin wear.



A quick glance tells you the lock is locked...



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parts in lockset position. Handle can only move back to locked position when jaws are locked in next coupling operation!

Fatigue Costs . . .

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insufficient food is eaten when a person is hungry, since the appetite of the system is unsatisfied. Overeating, on the other hand, produces quick fatigue. since the digestive organs demand increased blood supply for the long work of digestion.

A constant tired feeling is one of the early signs of diabetes. The diabetic cannot utilize part of the food he eats until he has had his daily injection of insulin, the hormonal remedy which adds the necessary hormones to his system to offset the effects of the extra amount of sugar in the blood.

Recent clinical tests have shown that a lack of sugar in the blood also results in a person becoming high strung and easily fatigued. Persons who have either a low or high blood sugar content should see their doctors so that a remedy may be worked out.

Lazy bowels, chronic constipation cause fatigue. Absorption of poisons produced by stagnant bowel contents

may produce a constant feeling of fatigue and weariness. Care for proper bowel movement by observing a more stimulating diet brings improvement. Increased quantities of fruit, salads, vegetables, a coarser bread in the diet may stimulate the bowels, but conditions are different in different people.

Beating Fatigue

FOREMOST treatment of fatigue is to ensure that the person gets sufficient sleep. Eight hours rest are sufficient for the average person. Some companies aid the sleeping habits of their long-distance drivers by providing good accommodations enroute and even by checking the number of hours their drivers spend indoors at night.

Sport and exercise, satisfying work, a quiet mental attitude dispel fatigue. Some people do not need absolute rest after work. What they need is another kind of mental activity which makes use of parts of the brain not used during the regular work day. This is why a hobby is such a stimulating activity.

There is nothing better than a warm or cold bath or shower to make the feeling of fatigue and weariness disappear. Water on the skin provides for changed distribution throughout the body by draining blood from the tired brain and fatigued muscles to the vessels of the skin. Showers are more efficient in combating fatigue because of the mechanical stimulation of water hitting the skin.

Light, loose clothing aids comfort and helps on the job, and comfortable shoes with real support for the arches will help prevent unnecessary fatigue.

Depression and fatigue due to psychological causes may frequently be overcome by facing the worry honestly and thoroughly.

Stimulation provided by alcoholic beverages is short-lived and fades away to leave the drinker feeling more tired than before. Tea, coffee and cocoa are effective stimulants and are refreshing. For regular smokers, who are accustomed to nicotine, a cigarette means a real tonic.



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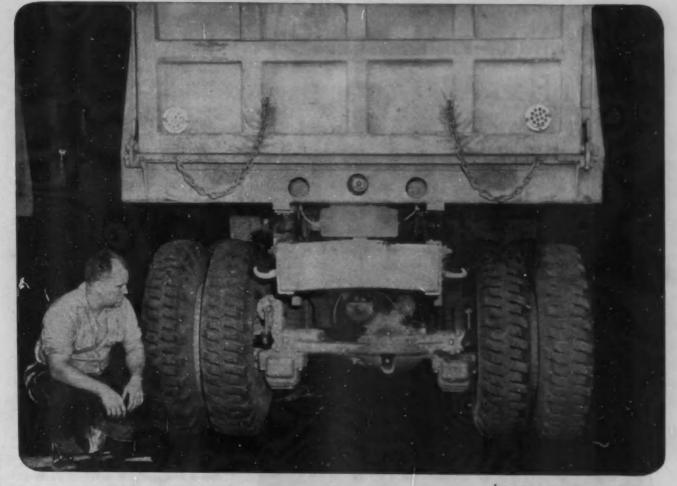
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"Hauling asphalt over rough gravel roads, the tires on our thirty-eight dump trucks take plenty of abuse," saysCarlLizza, vice-

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From a dollar standpoint, nylon cords have consistently saved us money and cut the number of tires we need to have in stock."

Whether your fleet is large or small, you can make this test. Try a set of nylon cord tires and see how their remarkable resistance to bruising permits them to take hard body punches and safely support even your heaviest loads. See how they reduce road delays and carcass failure . . . give a lower cost per mile. Ask your dealer about nylon cord tires today. (Du Pont makes nylon fibers, does not produce tires. A number of rubber companies have nylon cord tires available.)

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Photos Figure High In Fleet P.R. Programs

AN inexpensive camera can be a valuable piece of a fleet's equipment. Opportunities for using it are frequent, and the value of photographs to your public relations program should never be underestimated.

A line-up of the entire fleet makes a good bet for newspaper and direct mail advertising because it impresses the reader with the size of your firm and with the transportation or delivery service that it can render. If the trucks

By Stuart Covington

are modern and well-maintained, this also will speak well of your organization. Frequently the reader will take time to scan the lettering on the sides of a truck in a photograph when he will ignore the carefully worded copy of an ad.

Dress up your billheads, stationery and envelopes with small photographic reproductions of individual units of your fleet. Besides giving your correspondence a distinctive touch, this artwork will lend it added advertising punch.

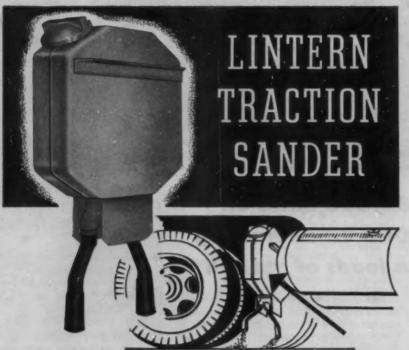
Instead of using a "solid" photograph for this purpose, have the engraver "crop" everything out of the cut he makes except the truck. The result will be a more effective and pleasing reproduction of the truck.

A good fleet line-up can also periodically garner some valuable free publicity; first, through the pages of local newspapers, and second, in regional and national trade journals. The local newspaper publicity will come from the "business review" pages which most metropolitan dailies publish once a week. These pages carry "blurbs" on local firms which are accompanied by photos. The pictures cost the newspaper money, and if they can find a firm ready to supply a photo or cut with no cost to the paper, that firm is likely to get a priority on space on the "business page."

Truck manufacturers offer an opportunity for nationwide publicity by way of the large ads they place regularly in scores of widely distributed magazines. If all of the units in your fleet, or a substantial number of them, are the products of one particular manufacturer, the firm is likely to use the fleet as the basis for one of its maga-

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Centerline Front Axle



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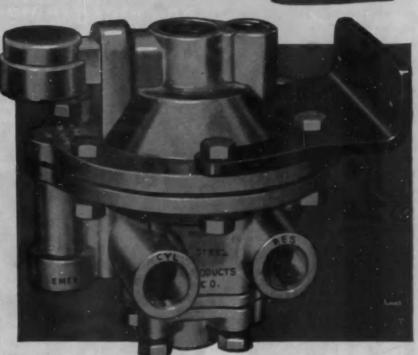
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Photos Figure High In Fleet P.R. Programs

AN inexpensive camera can be a valuable piece of a fleet's equipment. Opportunities for using it are frequent, and the value of photographs to your public relations program should never be underestimated.

A line-up of the entire fleet makes a good bet for newspaper and direct mail advertising because it impresses the reader with the size of your firm and with the transportation or delivery service that it can render. If the trucks

By Stuart Covington

are modern and well-maintained, this also will speak well of your organization. Frequently the reader will take time to scan the lettering on the sides of a truck in a photograph when he will ignore the carefully worded copy of an ad.

Dress up your billheads, stationery and envelopes with small photographic reproductions of individual units of your fleet. Besides giving your correspondence a distinctive touch, this artwork will lend it added advertising punch.

Instead of using a "solid" photograph for this purpose, have the engraver "crop" everything out of the cut he makes except the truck. The result will be a more effective and pleasing reproduction of the truck.

A good fleet line-up can also periodically garner some valuable free publicity; first, through the pages of local newspapers, and second, in regional and national trade journals. The local newspaper publicity will come from the "business review" pages which most metropolitan dailies publish once a week. These pages carry "blurbs" on local firms which are accompanied by photos. The pictures cost the newspaper money, and if they can find a firm ready to supply a photo or cut with no cost to the paper, that firm is likely to get a priority on space on the "business page."

Truck manufacturers offer an opportunity for nationwide publicity by way of the large ads they place regularly in scores of widely distributed magazines. If all of the units in your fleet, or a substantial number of them, are the products of one particular manufacturer, the firm is likely to use the fleet as the basis for one of its maga-

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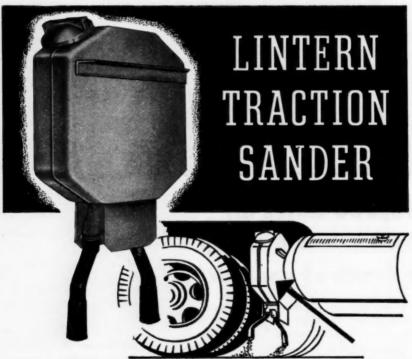
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By painstaking redesign we have reduced the weight of Lintern Air Operated Traction Sanders without sacrificing any of their distinctive features. This reduction, plus a new lighter weight traction material now available, assures truckers a combination of maximum protection with minimum GVW.

Another important improvement is the use of splash guards to shield the actuating mechanism—thereby making doubly sure these sanders will respond instantly.

Among other features, greatly appreciated by operators, are the patented, weatherproof nozzles and the "DEMOIST" absorbers attached to the tightly sealing fill caps. Hand control valve or foot control operation, as you wish. Air operated for utmost dependability, "as dependable as your brakes".

Probably no investment you can make will offer you such great protection at so little cost — and insure over-the-road safety in slippery, icy weather. Ask for new Bulletin 5307.

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Centerline Front Axle



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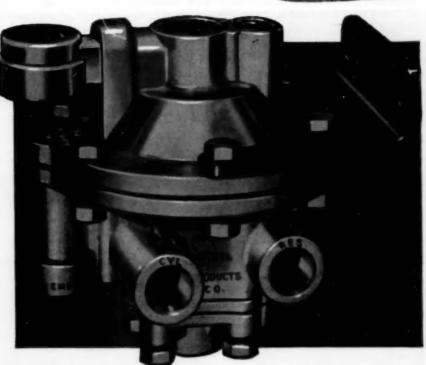
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General Electric "All-Glass" Headlamps

NO INNER BULB TO BLACKEN

Headlamp is one big bulb. Rugged filaments replace inner bulb, can't shake loose.

MIRROR-LIKE REFLECTOR

It's built in, stays bright. Assures maximum light output for years of driving safety.

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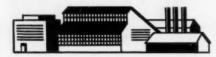
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FACTORY FLASHES



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B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio, has announced a \$4,500,000 expansion for its Tuscaloosa, Ala., tire and tube manufacturing plant.

Monroe Auto Equipment Co., Monroe, Mich., will build a new research and development building. Space formerly occupied by the department will be used for power steering production.

S & M Lamp Co., Los Angeles, Cal., will be represented in the southeast by Lawrence M. Hirsig and Co.

Minnesota Mining and Mfg. Co., St. Paul, Minn., has purchased Irvington

Varnish and Insulator Co., Irvington, N. J. It will become a division of Minnesota Mining and Mfg.

Yankee Metal Products, Norwalk, Conn., has selected Charles P. Cathcart as winner of its annual safety scholarship to the William Hood Dunwoody Industrial Institute.

McDougall-Butler Co., Inc., Buffalo, N. Y., has moved its New England warehouse to North Cambridge, Mass. It was located in Salem.

Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Co., with a controlling interest in Denver Chicago Trucking Co., has bought a nine per cent stock interest in Fruehauf Trailer Co., Detroit.

American-La Foamite Corp., Elmira, N. Y., has announced a change in fire extinguisher labels. The new labels show in pictures and words how to operate the unit.

Buda Co., Harvey, Ill., shareholders met last month to consider a plan to exchange the company's assets for shares of stock of Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

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Clark Equipment Co., Buchanan, Mich., has established a \$2,000 scholar-ship fund at the Illinois Institute of Technology for students majoring in materials handling.

Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill., has formed a new Engine Division.

Chain Belt Co., Milwaukee, Wis., has announced purchase of Shafer Bearing Corp., Downers Grove, Ill. It will continue operation as a division of Chain Belt.

Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa., has changed the trade name of its "Otiscoloy" steels to "Jalten."

GMC Truck and Coach Division, General Motors Corp., Pontiac, Mich., has completed delivery of 1400 trucks under a \$3,740,000 U. S. Navy contract.

Tung-Sol Sales Corp. has opened a new warehouse at 755 West Foodale Blvd., Columbus 8, Ohio.

South Bend Lathe Works, South Bend, Ind., are now offering scale model machine tools to assist in planning shop layouts. They are made to a scale of % in. to 1 ft.

General Motors Corp., after the fire that burnt out its Livonia, Mich., Hydra-Matic transmission plant, leased space for the unit's production in Kaiser-Frazer's Willow Run plant.

Electric Storage Battery Co., Philadelphia, has announced establishment of two operating divisions—industrial and automotive.

Timken-Detroit Axle Co. and Standard Steel Spring Co. have been combined into one unit, Rockwell Spring and Axle Co.

Topper Equipment Co., Clark Township (Rahway), N. Y., has changed its name to Circo Equipment Co.



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Superior strength is only one of the advantages Earl Raddatz will realize as the miles pile up. Look at these others:

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TRUE-RUNNING! Alcoa Forged Aluminum
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RAPID HEAT DISSIPATION! Tire temperatures are kept lower because one-piece Alcoa Forged Aluminum Wheels conduct heat rapidly away from tires. Tires that run cooler give greater mileage.

MINIMUM MAINTENANCE! Alcoa Forged Aluminum Disc Wheels resist corrosion—never need painting. Tire changing is easier because there is no rust. Rim surfaces remain smooth so tire beads loosen easily during tire changing. Aluminum Company of America, 1871-K Alcoa Building, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

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*Mr. Raddatz purchased his units from Reliable Automotive Co., Fresno, California.



ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA



Super Service Motor Freight, Inc., Nashville, Tenn., has opened a new terminal in Baltimore, Md. Denver Chicago Trucking Co., Denver, Colo., are now using a fleet of 50 Diamond T tractors.

California Cartage Co., Los Angeles, Cal., opened a new terminal last month in San Diego, Cal.

Cincinnati Transit Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, recently put into service 18 new buses equipped with air suspension in place of springs.

Third Avenue Transit Corp., New York City, expected to put in service last month 10 50-passenger and 15 44-passenger buses.

FLEET OPERATORS, eliminate expense

THE AMAZING CATALYTIC CELL THAT REMOVES

SCALE & REDUCES RUST IN ENGINE COOLING SYSTEMS

due to overheating engines . . . install . .

No installation problem... just place Sola Cell in radiators

Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago, last month called for bids on 100 additional propane operated buses.

Buffalo Transit Co., Buffalo, N. Y., has scheduled 14 new buses to be in service by Labor Day.

Department of Street Railwsys, Detroit, has signed a \$2 million contract for 100 51-passenger buses.

Bekins Moving and Storage Co, with offices in Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Idaho and British Columbia, celebrated its 50th anniversary last month. The company opened in Seattle, Wash, in 1903, now has 58 warehouses in 11 western states, operates in all 48.

Kingsway Transpors, Ltd., Montreal, Canada, truck line subsidiary of Canada Steamship Lines, has purchased Colossal Lines Ltd., New York, to provide service from Canada into New York state.

Ward Trucking Co., Altoona, Pa., recently presented a Guernsey calf to the Holidaysburg, Pa., chapter of the Future Farmers of America. A similar presentation is planned for the Blair County, Pa., 4H Guernsey Club.

Johnson Motor Lines, Charlotte, N. C., has put into service a fully equipped mobile safety clinic for driver and employee testing throughout the system.

Akers Moeor Lines, Gastonia, N. C., has opened its new terminal in Secaucus, N. J.

T. S. C. Motor Freight Line, Inc., Houston, Texas, is now operating from its new \$500,000 New Orleans, La., terminal.

Central Van and Storage Co. has begun construction on a \$250,000 warehouse in Nashville, Tenn.

U. S. Truck Co., Inc., Detroit, recently purchased 25 more semi-trailers and plans a new terminal in Livonia, Mich.

Wilson Freight Forwarding Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, put into operation a new terminal in Wallingford, Conn.

Interstate Motor Lines, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah, has moved into its new \$250,000 Chicago terminal.

Akers Motor Lines, Gastonia, N. C., has opened its new terminal in Savannah, Ga., a part of the company's \$2,000,000 expansion and modernization program.

Interstate Motor Freight System has completed an \$82,000 improvement program at its Grand Rapids, Mich., terminal.

Denver Chicago Trucking Co., Inc., Denver, Colo., has a \$160,000 expansion project in the works for its Chicago terminal.

R-C Motor Lines, Inc., has announced plans for a new \$70,000 terminal, expected to be in operation by mid-December, in Savannah, Ga.

Cell is 2 3/16" long, in diameter Removes Scale Reduces Rust Allows Maximum Engine Performance Reduces Friction and Wear Cleans Radiator & Cooling System Helps Prevent Overheating Guaranteed for 2 Years STOPS ENGINE OVERHEATING DUE TO SCALE AND CORROSION IN-. AUTOS . TRUCKS . TRACTORS . BUSES . STATIONARY ENGINES Unretouched photographs of the engine block of a bus in the fleet of the City Bus Company, Oklahoma City, token 50 days aport. Note particularly in the picture below how the Sola Auto Cell has completely unclagged scale has been greatly reduced between Shipped F.O.B. Oklahoma City HALES-MULLALY, CO. SOLA DIVISION OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. 3110 NORTH WALKER

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... William F. Connolly, as eastern division manager, and Charles J. Murphy, 85 Boston district manager, Spark Plug Division, Electric Auto-Lite Co., Toledo,

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... Mark L. Shepard, as manager, Richnond Division, Gar Wood Industries, Inc., Richmond, Cal.



.. Charles G. Anderson, left, and William H. Witham, right, regional truck managers in Chicago and Greensboro respectively, Dodge Division, Chrysler Corp.,

...L. W. Gay, as Cleveland, Ohio, branch manager, Electric Storage Battery Co., Philadelphia.

.. S. A. Copeland, W. M. Earl and F. W. Seaback, as Boston, Mass., Buffalo, N. Y., and Providence, R. I., branch managers respectively, Lee Tire and Rubher Co. of New York, Inc., Conshohocken,

... Cyril J. Marx, as oil company sales manager, Seiberling Rubber Co., Akron,

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... Robert L. Somerville, as general manager, automotive products division, Electric Storage Battery Co., Philadelphia.

... C. A. Stutzman, as merchandising manager, Lubricating Equipment Division, Are Equipment Corp., Bryan, Ohio.

... Correy Dykstra, as used trailer department manager, Chicago factory branch, Trailmobile, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio.

... Horton Conrad, as field sales manager, Cargo-Guard Co., Thompson's Point, Portland, Me.

... A. R. Abelt, as vice president-sales, and Gilbert J. Schuelke, as Chain and Transmission division sales manager, Chain Belt Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

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...A. Dix Leeson, as advertising manager, The Budd Co., Philadelphia.

... F. A. Gaffney, as road transport department general manager, Canadian National Railways.

... William F. McIntosh, as Durite Products assistant salesmanager, Chemical Division, Borden Co., Philadelphia.

... Don Carloss, as Memphis, Tenn., automotive division manager, Martin-Senour Co., Chicago.

... William A. Boyer, as sales representative, McDougall-Butler Co., Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.





... Robert G. Oakley, left, in charge of truck leasing and sales training, and Harry D. Weller, right, assistant New York regional manager and national accounts sales manager, White Motor Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

...Carl F. Paulsen, as southern district manager, Wayne Division, Gar Wood Industries, Inc., Wayne, Mich.

... Henry G. Milans, as Truck retail sales manager in charge of Chicago factory branch, GMC Truck and Coach Division, General Motors Corp., Pontiac, Mich.

... William M. Kelly, as sales engineer, Eaton Mfg. Co., Detroit.

... W. E. Callahan, central region sales manager, truck division, International Harvester Co., Chicago.



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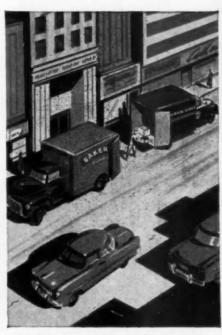


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... William Tauss, as chief field engineer, Brake Drum Division, Copperweld Steel Co., Glassport, Pa.

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...John R. Kix, as district manager, Maremont Automotive Products, Inc., Chicago.

... Grover Whipker, as southern district representative, Automotive Wheel Division, Erie Malleable Iron Co., Erie, Pa.



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Fast Trailer Repair At West Coast Fast Freight

TWO mobile units speed trailer maintenance at West Coast Fast Freight, Los Angeles, Cal. First unit is "Tire Mule," a mobile tire repair unit that was developed last year. Latest is "Trailer Checker," a mobile unit

equipped to test trailer light and air

Using the two units, West Coast Fast Freight makes all trailer repairs, except major ones, in regular trailer parking spaces or at freight docks, saving

considerable time and shop space.

Illustrated below, "Trailer Checker" was designed by Arthur George, fleet shop superintendent. It was built largely from spare truck equipment and other odd material, including the steering wheel which came from an old Army bomber.



Spare parts are carried right on the unit, saving mechanics time in covering the seven-acre terminal area. A 9-hp air compressor engine drives the unit as well as providing power for air compressor and generator.

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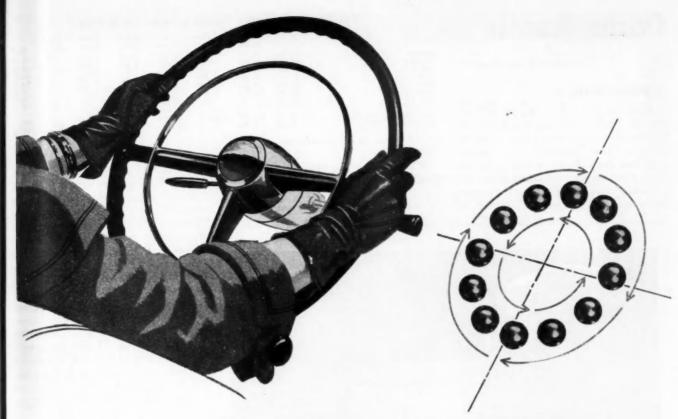
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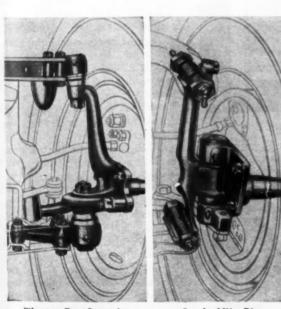
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Trucking Industry

Both American Trucking Assns.' research department and the Interstate Commerce Commission have released data on Class I motor carriers indicating that the industry is continuing to haul more and more freight.

Says ATA, intercity truck tonnage transported in the second quarter of

1953 Domestic Truck Factory Sales by G.V.W.*

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March	51,743 39,635	23,352 14,428	5,078 2,729	17,700 10,788	4,287 3,982	8,200 7,481	4,550 4,427 3,390	122,043 114,787 82,433
July	31,516	10,148 16,564	1,575 3,437	7,700 12,956	3,567 3,442	7,687	3,870 3,481	66,063 92,786
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^{*} Automobile Manufacturers Association.

1953 was 13.5 per cent greater than that carried in the same period of last year. Based on reports of 1409 Class I inter-city carriers to the Interstate Commerce Commission, this report shows the third consecutive quarterly period in which a gain has been registered over the preceding year and contrasts with a 3.4 per cent decrease for the same period of 1952.

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Using 1941 as a base of 100, the second quarter index rose to 261, a new high for the period. The previous record was 237 established in 1951.

Increases were general throughout the country. Only the Pacific Region failed to register a gain during this quarter, droppig 2.7 per cent. On a regional basis, the Central Region was the leader with a gain of 21.2 per cent. The Rocky Mountain Region was close behind with an increase of 21.0 per cent. Other percentage gains by regions over the same period in 1952 were: Mid-Atlantic, 15.3; Southern, 13.9; Northwestern, 13.8; New England, 11.7; Southwestern, 7.8; Midwestern, 2.4.

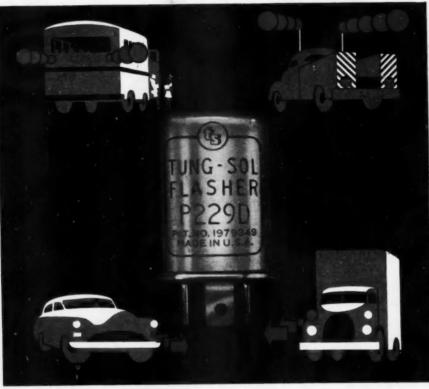
On a commodity basis, five specialized carriers gained over the second quarter of 1952. Haulers of motor vehicles showed the greatest increase with a gain of 31.4 per cent, followed by carriers of heavy machinery with 142 per cent. General freight carriers showed a significant rise of 14.1 per cent, while haulers of liquid petroleum products gained 11.9 per cent. Also showing an increase were the carriers of household goods whose increase was 5 per cent.

Although the inter-city truck tonnage was increased in this period, there were several commodity carriers with a decline from last year's figures for this quarter. A drop of 13.6 per cent was reported by carriers of refrigerated liquids and the refrigerated solids hauls were down 3.7 per cent. Building materials handled by motor carriers dropped 3.6 per cent, and a nominal decrease of 0.5 per cent was reported by agricultural commodity carriers. All other specialized carriers combined had an increase in tonnage of 17.4 per cent over the second quarter of 1952.

Costs, Revenues Up

Bureau of Transport Economics and Statistics of the Interstate Commerce Commission said that operating revenues of Class I inter-city motor car-(TURN TO PAGE 198, PLEASE)

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riers of property for the three months ending March 31, 1953, totaled \$842,-476,654, an increase of 18.3 per cent over the first quarter of last year.

Expenses of these carriers incident to operation totaled \$789,332,933 during the same period, an increase of 16.4 per cent over the first quarter in 1952.

Net income after income taxes in the first 1953 quarter was \$27,973,937, against \$16,714,037 in the 1952 period, indicating an increase of 67.4 per cent.

Net income before income taxes in the 1953 period was \$50,167,781, up 57 per cent.

The ratio of operating expenses to revenues in the first quarter this year was 93.7 per cent, compared with 95.2 per cent for the same period in 1952.

Truck and tractor miles operated during the 1953 quarter totaled 1,639,382,049, compared with 1,453,925,310 a year ago, an increase of 12.8 per cent.

Tons of revenue freight transported by motor carrier in the first quarter of 1953 aggregated 65,856,151, against 59,620,205 in the 1952 first quarter, an increase of 10.5 per cent.

New Laws

Recent laws affecting truck and bus operation enacted by the various states include:

Iowa: H 10—increasing gasoline tax 1¢ per gal; increasing using fuel tax to 6¢.

New Jersey: H 476—providing buses designed for carrying more than six persons stop before crossing railroad tracks; regulating railroad crossing by large construction vehicles. H 323—providing that by ordinance municipalities may set up a system of truck routes.

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Ohio: H 24—re-enacting mudguard requirements; increasing penalty to \$50. H 24—making permanent temporary increases in truck, trailer and semi-trailer registration fees which were to expire this year.

Pennsylvania: H 1109—providing for restoration of credits formerly given to bus and truck companies for license fees and taxes in payment of gross receipts tax on public utilities. H 1126—changing bus and truck inspection periods to (1) June 1 to August 31 and (2) December 1 to February 28. S33—providing overload penalties. H 110—setting up a fee schedule ranging from \$50 to \$275 for 8-wheel (4-axle in pairs) trucks.

Wisconsin: HJR 93—providing for possible amendments during legislative recess to S 59 passed in this session providing a flat weight tax on motor vehicles.

Road Council Meets

It is a problem of educating the public to the fact that adequate roads don't cost—they pay, concluded the Adequate Roads Information Council (an adjunct of PAR—Project: Adequate Roads) at its recent meeting.

Among many other interesting suggestions was one made by General Frank D. Merrill, Commissioner of the New Hampshire Highway Department. General Merrill suggested that we merchandise our present good roads just as we sell any other product—which is by telling how good it is, rather than how bad.

Another concrete suggestion for the PAR Committee was to enlist the active support of the automotive industries dealers' organizations to head local PAR groups in their respective communities. Dwight B. Eldred, United States Rubber Co., suggested that by this means alone several hundred thousand local "grass roots" groups can be started. To carry out such a program he suggested the appointment of a small working or steering committee at

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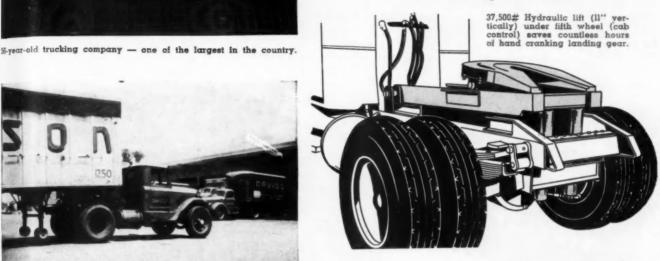
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CEMCO TRAILER JOCKEYS are indispensable



Rigid enforcement against overloaded trucks prompts frequent checking of truck weight during loading process at Davidson Transfer & Storage, Baltimore.

Operating a fleet of over 500 units—serving six states in the busy Atlantic seaboard—Mr. David Davidson, Manager of Operations, after 2½ years' use, reports "the Cemco Trailer Jockey is indispensable because we operate against time".

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the national level to give guidance to the local groups.

Among the interesting proposals advanced was a plan to enlist the support of the railroads in our highway program by building expressways as elevated highways over existing railroad rights-of-way and pay the rails for the privilege. George J. Crimmins, Ford Motor Co., who proposed the

plan, suggested it would be cheaper than present condemnation proceedings, destruction of property, excavation and relocation of sewers and public utilities.

Slow Down Success

Success of the nation's large-scale war on speeders in 11 states from Maine to Maryland was reported at the recent meeting of the Northeastern State Safety Coordinators to appraise results of their summer highway "slowdown" program. The northeastern region witnessed an "encouraging" 3 per

cent drop in deaths from the 1952 summer toll. Forty-one fewer persons were killed in the 11-state area's highway accidents during June, July and August than in the same months of 1952, despite a 6 per cent increase in travel volume which set an all-time summer record.

The three-month fatality record of the 11 states for 1952 and 1953 follows:

	Summer,	Summer
State	1952	1953
Connecticut	59	58
Delaware	26	27
Maine	36	42
Maryland	146	120
Massachusetts	124	125
New Hampshire	18	30
New Jersey	216	203
New York	515	546
Pennsylvania	407	355
Rhode Island	12	20
Vermont	24	16
Totals	1,583	1,542

1953 Truck Trailer Shipments*

Maria	July	Seven Months
Vans Insulated and Refrigerated		
Steel	94 255	554 1,969
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All other closed-top vans Steel	935 837	6,805 6,838
Open-top SteelAluminum	174 206	1,877 1,348
TotalVans	2,612	19,474
Tanks Petroleum. Food. L. P. G. All other	326 24 12 29	2,322 212 77 221
Total-Tanks	391	2,832
Pole, Pipe and Logging Single Axle	49 102	358 723
Total	151	1,078
Platforms Racks, livestock and stake Grain bodies Flats, all types	152 49 725	3,672 632 5,881
Total-Platform	926	10,185
Low-bed haulers. Dump trailers. All other trailers.	423 63 5,353	2,648 842 15,384
Total—Complete Trailers Converter dollies	9,919 26 320	52,243 979 2,156
Total—Trailers and Chasels	10,265	55,380

* Industry Division, Bureau of the Census.

Equipment Committee

Engineering representatives of the Motor Truck Committee of the Automobile Manufacturers Assn. and the Truck-Trailer Mfrs. Assn. met jointly for the first time as a working committee of the newly-formed Joint TTMA-AMA Engineering Committee, which was created last month to discuss automotive engineering problems common (TURN TO PAGE 202, PLEASE)

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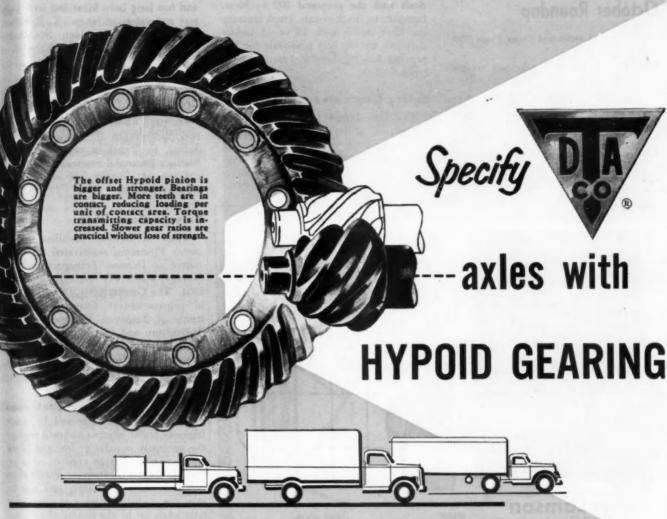
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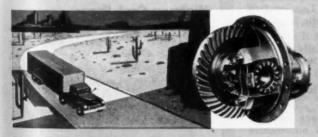
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to both the motor truck and trailer industries.

The subcommittee meeting was called to review and evaluate equipment suggestions pertaining to trucktrailer dimensions made earlier by the Equipment Development Committee of the American Trucking Assns.' Regular Common Carrier Conference. They

dealt with the proposed 102 vs 96-in. bumper to back-of-cab truck-tractor; the 35-ft trailer with 10 or 18 radius corners; and various proposals for improving loading height dimensions in truck-trailers.

Safety Committee

The Inter-Industry Highway Safety Committee, at its annual meeting in Detroit, re-elected W. F. Hufstader as chairman. Mr. Hufstader, vice president, General Motors Corp., has been a member of the committee since 1948. and has long been identified with highway and safety activities. K. B. Elliott. executive vice president, Studebaker Corp., was re-elected vice chairman of the committee. Mr. Elliott has served on the committee since 1947.

Credit Line

On page 83 of the August issue the two photographs illustrating Buffalo's Salute to Truckers were taken by Smitty's Photo Ad Service, Buffalo. The courtesy of a credit line was unintentionally omitted.

Defense Committee

Office of Defense Mobilization Director Flemming reactivated the Committee on Defense Transportation and Storage, which was originally set up in 1951. The Committee will be composed of representatives from the Departments of Treasury, Defense, Interior, Agriculture and Commerce, also DTA, Foreign Operations Administration and Federal Civil Defense Administration.

Red Stop Signs

A red highway stop sign which glows at night has been approved by many highway traffic officials and will replace the currently popular yellow and black signs. This red sign consists of a reflective sheeting containing 30,000 glass beads to the square inch, and can be seen for a distance of a quarter of a mile when hit by the beams of an automobile's headlights. The signs are used in 28 states and are to be installed in New York and Chicago.

Highway Cost Drops

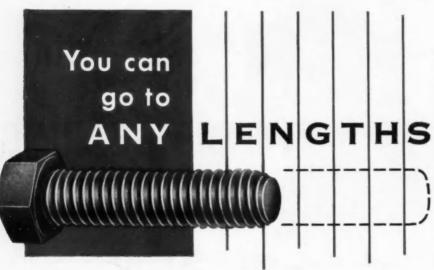
Cost of building highways are declining after a steady increase since 1949, according to Bureau of Public Roads. The Bureau reports that high-(TURN TO PAGE 207, PLEASE)

Medium Duty LP Gas



International Harvester Co., cago, is putting into production five medium duty truck models in the R-160 class with factory installed LP gas fuel systems. GVW ranges from 14,000 to 17,000 lb. Models are RP-160, RP-161, RP-162, RP-164 for heavy beautiful and RP-165 for over heavy hauling and RP-165 for over-the-road tractor service. Engine is 108 hp, Silver Diamond 240. All are Underwriters Laboratories listed. Shown above is the RP-160.

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Seven Car Carrier

This diesel-powered, sleeper-equipped, seven-car capacity car carrier sees service in ten western states. It was built by the operator, Convoy Co., in its Portland, Ore., shops. Engine is a horizontal, Cummins diesel, Model No. NHHB 600, cooled by two Ford radiators. It has a Timken two-speed Model No. R330 differential mounted with a "pusher" axle and a Fuller Model No. 5C72 five-speed main transmission. Tires on truck and trailer are 9:00 by 20. A Ford cab cut in two and widened 26 in. accommodates the sleeper berth. Loaded as above, combination is 12½ ft high, 60 ft long.



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way construction costs during the second quarter of this year showed a substantial decline from the first quarter.

Road Study Done

A survey of the operations of the Bureau of Public Roads, undertaken by the management engineering firm Booz, Allen & Hamilton, has been completed and the recommendations have been submitted to the Undersecretary of Commerce for Transportation. It is said the report will not be made public and that the recommendations embraced chiefly ideas regarding office procedure and are relatively minor.

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Side Dump Body



This side dump body, announced by Galion Allsteel Body Co., Galion, Ohio, uses a double lift arm action on a standard dump truck application. Hoist capacities can be selected to meet load requirements. Bodies are 8 to 10 ft long with 3 to 6 cu yd capacity. It can be constructed to dump either right or left. Dump angle is 45 deg.

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IHC Radio Program

International truck dealers, using the network facilities of the National Broadcasting Co., have launched a daily 15-minute radio show featuring Alex Dreier, nationally recognized authority in radio and television news reporting.

Titled "Man On The Go," the pro-

gram, introduced last month, under sponsorship of the Motor Truck Division, International Harvester Co., features special reports, human interest stories and spot news accounts and is being aired by more than 125 NBC stations. In addition, International sponsors Drier on a once-weekly 15minute television program.

Tax Campaign

A grass-roots campaign to create greater public awareness of the high and discriminatory taxes levied against essential automobiles and trucks is

being planned by National Automobile Dealers Assn. as a nationwide activity.

City Ton-Mile Tax

Wall Street Journal has reported that officials in Denver, Col., are gather. ing information on the operation of the ton-mile tax with the view to levying such a tax in that city. It is thought that a ton-mile tax might make it unnecessary to increase property taxes.

Farm Specialist

Appointment of Dr. Walter J. Willis as American Trucking Assn.'s special. ist in agricultural relations was announced today by General Manager Ray G. Atherton. In announcing the new ATA position, Atherton pointed out that "agriculture and trucking are the country's two largest industries, in that order, as measured by their total employment, and this step signifies increased attention to common problems and opportunities to which the trucking industry has been giving its earnest attention for a considerable period."

Tax Allowance Cut

Defense Mobilizer Arthur Flemming has announced that the government will shortly cut back its policy of quick tax write-off allowances for a large percentage of the industries now receiving them. He explained that a large percentage of the defense expansion goals have been filled or are now deemed adequate to fill defense needs

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Brake Drum Gage



Standard Wheel and Rim Co. President Ralph Hunsicker has developed this brake drum gage designed to give a quick check on whether or not a drum has enough metal left to be machined safely. National Wheel and Rim Assn. has officially adopted it and quantity production is planned. It is sliding type gage that will fit into the deepest groove of a brake dram with the slide marked with various drum diameters. In use, the slide is extended to the sides of the drum and the mark of the drum and the drum if the mark on the gage for that site drum shows, the drum is worn more than manufacturer's tolerance and should not be machined.

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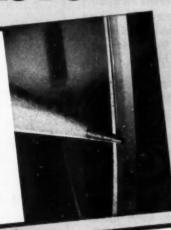
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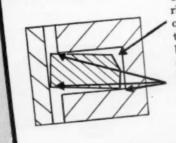
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Safety Guides

ICC Commissioner Arpaia denies that the ICC's highway safety work duplicates that of the states. He says motor carriers should observe the following five points: (1) management should lay stress on preventive maintenance by keeping vehicles in perfect condition; (2) management should limit operation to carefully selected and trained drivers; (3) especial attention should be paid to weeding out the accident-prone; (4) every terminal should have a "spare" board—extra drivers on call to substitute for any temporarily mentally disturbed by debt, family troubles and the like; and (5) unions should agree to "ground" a man temporarily who is involved in some emotional disturbance likely to make his driving unsafe.

Truck Lighting

Vehicle lighting may become more nearly standardized and more effective if recommendations of a Vehicle Light. ing Subcommittee of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances are adopted. Meeting in Washington, the Committee voted to recommend five different types of light. ing to show the degree of hazard and to indicate what the driver of the approaching vehicle should do. These proposed signals range from (1) two alternate flashing lights which are to be used on emergency vehicle for which all other traffic is to stop: (2) simultaneous flashing lights meaning slow down and proceed with caution: (3) directional signals indicating a right or left turn; (4) a "braking light," a new name for the conventional "stop light": and (5) marker lights, including head and tail lights.

Hilts Dies

Harold E. Hilts, Deputy Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads, died suddenly at his home in Silver Spring, Md., on Saturday, September 5, at the age of 70.

Fleet Courses

More than 8,000 persons in the motor transport industry have completed courses sponsored by the National Committee for Motor Fleet Supervisor Training since its inauguration in 1939.

Today the courses are offered in 47 colleges and universities throughout the country. They were conceived by Professor Amos E. Neyhart of the Pennsylvania State College.

Oregon Merger

Three highway user groups in Oregon have joined to form the new Ore (TURN TO PAGE 212, PLEASE)

Unit Packaging



Sperry Gyroscope Co. had a problem. Fire control systems for 75 mm artillery machine guns are complex units, consist of several precision parts and weigh about 3 tons. Safe packaging in a standard trailer to protect the delicate parts took too long with danger of misplacing parts. Dravo Corp. Pittsburgh, came up with this steel bot that holds all parts for one unit, fits two or three on a flatbed trailer. Result: faster packing, less damage, all parts arrive together at destination.

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gon Trucking Assn. Groups joining in the merger are Oregon Motor Transport Assn., Oregon Highway Council and Oregon Drayman's and Warehouseman's Assn.

Missouri Taxes

A new fact leaflet, published by the Missouri Bus and Truck Assn., shows trucks and buses pay 48.4¢ of the state's highway tax dollar and represent only 21 per cent of vehicles licensed in the state.

Autocar Expansion

White Motor Co., Cleveland, Ohio, has announced that construction has started on a new \$2,000,000 plant for its recently acquired Autocar Division. The new facilities will be at Exton, Pa., west of Philadelphia, and are expected to be completed by early next year. Upon completion, Autocar will move entirely to the new location. The pres-

ent plant in Ardmore, Pa., has been sold, but no plans have been announced for its use.

Deadline Extended

Contract motor carriers were granted until December 1 to file schedules of minimum rates for government transportation and to supply the ICC with copies of their actual contracts with the government.

No. 1 Truck Line

Pacific Intermountain Express Co., Oakland, Cal., will move from eight to first place if its deal to purchase West Coast Fast Freight, Inc., is approved by the ICC. It would give PIE a fleet of more than 3000 trucks.

Trailer Pool

Members of ATA's Regular Common Carrier Conference are studying a newly-proposed trailer pool plan following the recent meeting of the Board of Governors.

Outline of the plan includes: (1) Territory—east of the Rocky Mountains, (2) Organization—top control by a board of directors of common carriers representative of members, (3) Rolling Stock—the pool to purchase all road trailers from participating members by exchanging pool stock for trailers, part cash and part stock, or all cash. The pool to assume equipment obligations outstanding; value of trailers set by a "blue book" and (4) Contract providing for all of a carrier's road trailers, the term running from three to five years.

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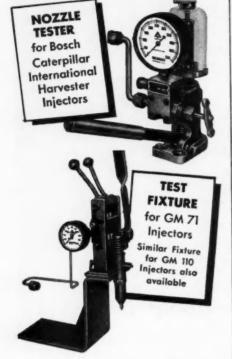
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Akers Motor Lines, Gastonia, N. C. —to 29 drivers. Eleven of the drivers were from the fleet's Columbia, Ga., terminal, and the rest from the Atlanta, Ga., terminal.

Carolina Freight Carriers Corp., Cherryville, N. C.—to 280 drivers. Their record was three months without an accident but represent 92 per cent of total drivers.

Cartensen Freight Lines, Inc., Clinton, Iowa—to 42 drivers.

Pacific Intermountain Express, Inc., Oakland, Cal.—to 36 drivers. Awards were made in ceremonies held monthly to honor each group of drivers as they complete additional years of accident-free driving.

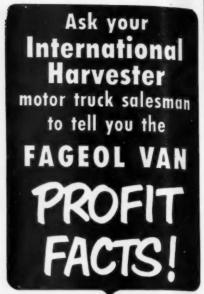
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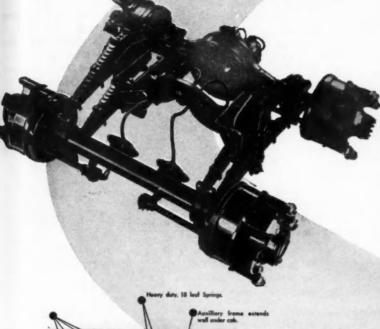
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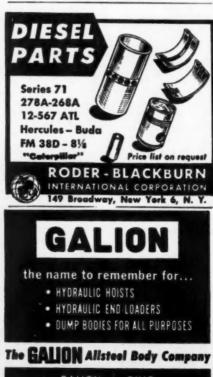
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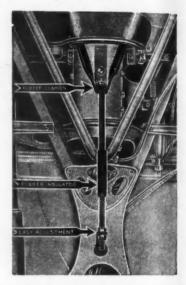
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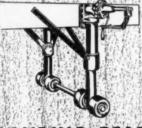
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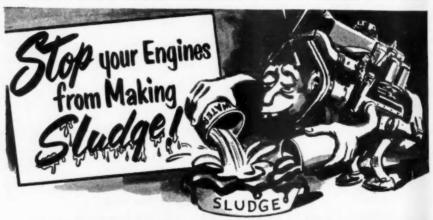
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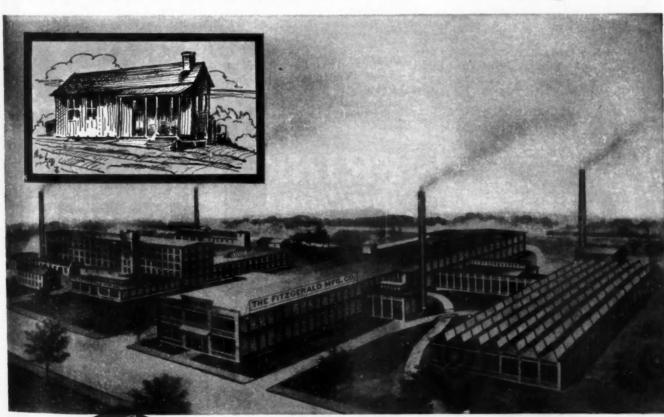
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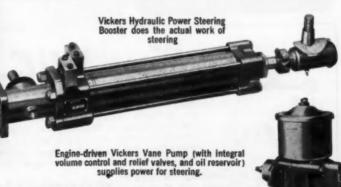
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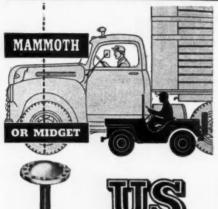
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